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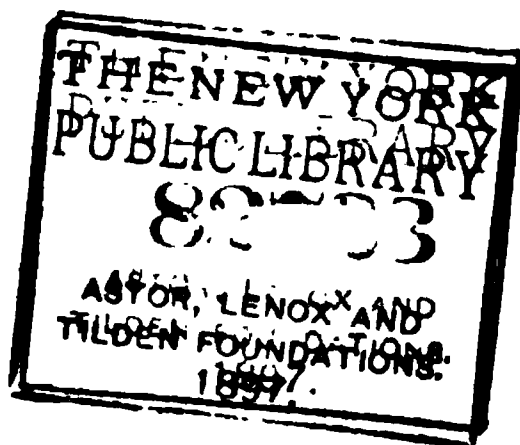
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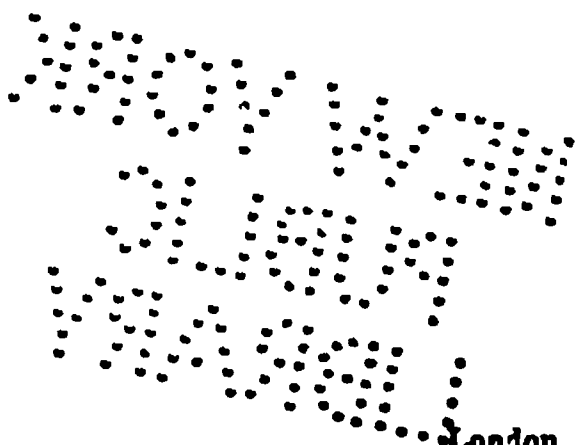
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**Q. I. WHO are now ADMITTED as Ministers INTO FULL CON-
NEXION WITH THE CONFERENCE ?**

A. 1. In *Great Britain*, William Allen, 4th, Henry Balls, Henry J. Booth, Frederick W. Briggs, Abel Burgess, Robert Cass, Henry L. Church, William Colbron, James Cooke, 3d, Joseph B. Dawson, Joseph Exell, Daniel Farquhar, Edward Fison, Thomas Harding, James Hartle, Henry Hayman, John Herbert, Pascho Hoskins, Henry Laughner, John F. Moody, George T. Morrison, James Nance, William Powell, 2d, Robert Rees, George Rowe, George Scott, 2d, Gervase Smith, Edwin Thorley, Luke Tyerman, Edward Watson ;—

2. In our *Foreign Missions*,

(1.) James Narraway, who has travelled five years ;

(2.) David Barley, William L. Binks, Charles De Boinville, George H. Davis, Alexander Foote, Jeremiah Hartley, David Haslewood, Joshua Jordan, William Lightbody, William Ogier, William Sargeant, George Smith, 2d, Richard Smith, George Stannard, John Wilson, 2d ;

Also, S. Davasagayam, Charles Knight, A. D. Ponniah, Arthur Taylor, Joseph Wright, *Assistant Missionaries* ;—

3. And, in *Ireland*, William Butler, William B. Lebert, William Lough, Francis Morrow.

Q. II. What Preachers REMAIN ON TRIAL ?

A. 1. In *Great Britain*, Thomas Batten, Robert Brown, Joseph Chapman, William F. Clarke, Sampson Cock, John W. Davies, Richard Eland, jun., George Elliott, James Faulkner, Edwin Fice, William Fox, 2d, Benjamin Frankland, jun., B.A., Robert A. Gent, David Griffiths, Stephen P. Harvard, John Hebb, William Hessel, John Hirst, James Hughes, Edmond Knaggs, John Livingston, Thomas M'Cullagh, John M'Kenny, George Mather, James Mitchell, William T. Nelson, John Nowell, 2d, John Parsons, John Pearson, Peter Prescott, jun., William M.

Punshon, James H. Rigg, John M. Roberts, Richard Roberts, William Rodman, Uriah Scott, Michael C. Taylor, John Thomas, 2d, Walter Vercoe, Richard Woodfin;—

2. In our *Foreign Missions*, Thomas Adams, Edward Addison, John Bredin, John Brewster, Samuel Brown, 3d, Samuel Burrell, Benjamin Chapman, Benjamin Field, Thomas B. Glanville, Thomas James, Ebenczer E. Jenkins, Henry H. Lawry, Joseph Morris, Jabez B. Waterhouse, Thomas West, John E. S. Williams;

Also, William Andrews, 2d, Johannes P. Bertram, John Gundy, John Hagan, William M'Carty, Henry Pope, 2d, A. J. Thompson, William F. Turtle, John Vaz, *Assistant Missionaries*;—

3. And, in *Ireland*, Robert Campbell, John Hazleton, James Hutcheson, Edward Johnston, 2d, James M'Clintock, Thomas M'Lorinan, Frederick Stephens, Alexander Twiss;—

These have travelled **THREE YEARS**:

1. In *Great Britain*, James Allen, 3d, Robert G. Badcock, Thomas S. Bowers, B.A., John Bramwell, Thomas H. Brocklehurst, Samuel Coley, William O. Cuttle, Evan Davies, Frederick F. Edmunds, John Evans, 2d, Wesley Farrar, M.A., John D. Geden, John W. Greeves, Benjamin Hellier, Joseph Hirst, Thomas Hulme, Daniel Jones, Joseph Jones, Edward King, Samuel M'Aulay, Richard Martin, William Mearns, M.A., John Moore, Henry Needle, Paul Orchard, jun., Evan Pugh, Thomas Rigby, Samuel W. Robinson, John Shipham, John Skidmore, George Smith, 3d, James Sugden, Charles Willis, John W. Wilson, Charles E. Woolmer;—

2. In our *Foreign Missions*, George Alton, George Daniel, William H. A. Dickson, Giffard Dorey, James Ford, John Harrop, Charles Hillard, William Kirk, John Malvern, Edward J. Robinson, John Thomas, 3d, William Tyson, John Walton, Richard Wrench;

Also, John A. Bailie, Thomas M. Chambers, Robert E. Crane, John Douglas, John Harcourt, George O. Huestis, John Hunt, 2d, Gideon Jaulmes, William Lowe, John Martin, John Prince, James Taylor, 2d, Charles Turver, William Williams, 3d, *Assistant Missionaries*;—

3. And, in *Ireland*, James Bass, Henry M. Beale, A.B., Samuel Ferguson, Charles L. Grant, Joseph Johnston, James Keys, Mortlock Long, Richard Maxwell;—

These have travelled **TWO YEARS**:

1. In *Great Britain*, Joseph L. Ball, Joseph Bate, John Bramley, Rupert Chawner, John W. Close, Henry B. Cox, John W. Crankshaw, Thomas T. Dilks, Peter Featherstone, James Fisher, Joseph H. Fletcher, William Foster, Samuel Haigh, James Hargreaves, William Harley, Frederick Hart,

William Hirst, William L. Horton, William Jackson, 3d, Alexander T. James, John P. James, John Jones, 4th, Henry Keet, John Lesson, James A. Macdonald, John T. Morley, John Nelson, 2d, Joseph Oram, William Parsonson, Josiah Pearson, Charles Potts, Andrew Rennard, Peter Sharland, William Shaw, 2d, Joseph Spencer, Joseph Sutton, Theophilus Talbot, William D. Tyack, John Walter, John Wetherell, Thomas Wilkinson, Charles Williams, John S. Workman ;—

2. In our *Foreign Missions*, Thomas Butcher, Edward Collier, James M. Cranswick, Herbert W. Haime, Richard Hart, John Kilner, George Meadows, Thomas Phelps, Thomas Purslow, George Sargeant, George Smith, 4th, Joseph Webster ;

Also, Gottlob Schreiner, John C. Thrum, Cornelius V. D. Van Soelen, *Assistant Missionaries* ;—

3. And, in *Ireland*, Thomas W. Baker, Samuel Johnston, James Kernahan, George Magee ;—

These have travelled ONE YEAR.

Q. III. What Preachers are NOW RECEIVED ON TRIAL ?

A. 1. In *Great Britain*, John Elam, Richard Evans, Robert Jones, 3d, Francis T. Tranmer ;—

2. In our *Foreign Missions*, Benjamin Latuselu, *Assistant Missionary* ;—

3. And, in *Ireland*, Edward Best, James Carey, George Chambers, William Christie, William Crook, jun., John Dwyer, Colin M'Kay, John H. Robinson.

Q. IV. What Ministers have DIED since the last Conference ?

A. 1. In *Great Britain* the *seventeen* following :—

(1.) DAVID EVANS, 2d ; who was born at Abercegir, in the Machynlleth Circuit, in the year 1816. When about sixteen years of age he was convinced of sin under the ministry of the word, and was led to seek salvation, which he obtained through faith in Jesus Christ. Soon after he had experienced a sense of pardoning mercy in his own heart, he felt a desire to call sinners to repentance, and became a Local Preacher, and laboured in that capacity for some time with diligence and usefulness. In the year 1835 he was proposed and accepted as a candidate for the Christian ministry ; and after two years' residence in the Theological Institution at Hoxton, he commenced his labours as a Wesleyan Minister. He was a young man of genuine piety, good understanding, and inflexible fidelity. As a Minister of the Gospel, he was never light and trifling, but always maintained the gravity becoming the sacred office. He was a diligent student of the holy Scriptures, and all his sermons evinced an extensive acquaintance with the principles of saving truth. During the last

two years of his life he was the Editor of the "Welsh Wesleyan Magazine," and discharged the duties of the office to the satisfaction of his brethren. For many months prior to his death he was the subject of severe suffering, but uniformly maintained a firm reliance upon the great atonement, and evinced a patient submission to the Divine will. In his last hours he often repeated those words of the Apostle, "I am in a strait betwixt two, having a desire to depart, and to be with Christ; which is far better." He died happy in the Lord, September 12th, 1847, in the thirty-second year of his age.

(2.) JAMES SMETHAM, of the Warrington Circuit. He was truly converted to God at the age of thirteen, and entered upon the work of the ministry at an early period. He "went forth weeping," under a painful sense of his insufficiency, which sometimes much oppressed and almost overwhelmed him. His piety was deep and uniform; and, animated by love to Christ, and zeal for the honour of God, he greatly delighted to publish the glad tidings of salvation. His powers of mind were considerable; his reading was extensive; and, as the consequence, his ministry, though commenced in much weakness and fear, became highly acceptable and useful. As his labours drew to a close, they were characterized by much heavenly unction and power. He was graciously supported in his last illness, and spent his little remaining strength in testifying of the goodness of God, and in committing his wife and family to His faithful care. Some of his expressions were, "All is well: I am on the Rock: God is love." He died at Warrington, October 3d, 1847, in the fifty-fifth year of his age, and the thirty-sixth of his ministry.

(3.) SAMUEL HOPE; who was born in Liverpool, where he resided till he entered the ministry. In early life he was converted to God by the instrumentality of the Wesleyan Methodists. Having given proof of decided piety, and of the possession of suitable gifts for public usefulness, and having been employed for some time as a Local Preacher, he was, in the year 1808, called by God and His church to the work of the ministry; in which he laboured with acceptance and considerable success for thirty-eight years. His attachment to the doctrines and discipline of Methodism was sincere and unwavering. He possessed the confidence of his brethren, and was chosen by them to sustain some important offices of the Connexion. After a series of domestic afflictions and bereavements, his own health failed. In the year 1846 he became a Supernumerary, and retired to Guernsey, where, besides meeting a class and visiting the sick, he generally preached once on the Sabbath-day. While thus employed, he was called by his Master to his final reward. On Sunday, October 3d, he was taken ill in the pulpit. On the following morning he observed to his colleague, "I have done with public

labour : I shall preach no more. But all my trust is in Christ : there will I rest :

‘None but Christ to me be given.’”

He suffered much during his illness, and was for the most part unconscious of his actions. On the 23d of October, 1847, in the sixty-third year of his age, he closed his career, and entered into rest.

(4.) ROBERT SMITH; who was born at Wolverhampton, October 6th, 1769. When about fifteen years of age he was convinced of sin; and after several months of deep mourning after God, he believed on Christ as his Saviour, and was filled with peace and joy. From that time his Christian course was marked by great decision and diligence; for the maturing of which qualities he was much indebted to the fostering care of the late Rev. Richard Rodda. Mr. Smith soon gave evidence of mental and religious qualifications for public usefulness in the church of Christ; and at the Conference of 1792 he was received on trial, and appointed to the St. Austle Circuit. Throughout his lengthened life his ministry was not only acceptable, but in many instances eminently successful. He enjoyed the confidence and affection of his brethren, and was repeatedly placed in situations of special responsibility. For two years he discharged the onerous duties of Secretary to our Missions with great fidelity. For twenty-three years he sustained the office of Governor of Kingswood School, and in the discharge of the peculiar duties of that office secured throughout that long period of service the entire approval of the Conference, and the respectful and affectionate regard of those who had the advantage of his paternal superintendence and care. He was an amiable man in all the social relations of life. While intent upon promoting peace in the church, he would never compromise our discipline. His character and spirit were marked by great simplicity and spirituality; and those qualities were especially conspicuous in his latter days. He was an ardent lover of Methodism, both in its doctrine and polity, and studiously jealous of its practical efficiency. His death was truly patriarchal. Gradual decay rather than disease brought him to the conclusion of his earthly course. His last hours were spent in expressions of love to his family and friends; and, full of confidence, peace, and hope, he entered into rest, December 19th, 1847, in the seventy-eighth year of his age.

(5.) THOMAS HAYES. In the year 1804 he was convinced of sin; and experienced deep distress, until, through faith in the atonement of our Lord Jesus Christ, he obtained mercy. Shortly after this he began to call sinners to repentance. In the year 1811 he was admitted into the Wesleyan ministry, and laboured with fidelity and diligence in different Circuits, in various parts of the Connexion, for more than a quarter of a century, when afflic-

tion compelled him to retire. For several of the last years of his life, his sufferings were complicated, but he sustained them with much Christian resignation; and died in peace, January 2d, 1848, in the sixty-third year of his age.

(6.) ZECHARIAH TAFT; who commenced his ministry in 1801. After labouring for twenty-seven years, he became a Supernumerary, and resided at Sandiacre, in the Ilkestone Circuit. His ministry was faithful and useful, and his piety was deep and unaffected. During the last two or three years of his life, he was greatly enfeebled by various infirmities: nevertheless, he bore his affliction with patience, and died, bearing testimony to the preciousness of the blood of Christ, January 7th, 1848, in the seventy-sixth year of his age.

(7.) WILLIAM WOOLSEY; who was born at Gainsborough, June 19th, 1792. In the twenty-first year of his age he became a member of the Wesleyan-Methodist Society. Soon after his conversion he was called to fill the offices of Class-Leader and Local Preacher. He entered upon the ministry in the twenty-ninth year of his age, possessing a sound understanding, a well-informed mind, and an ardent thirst for knowledge. His ministry was highly instructive and practical, and he was esteemed a sound expositor of the Scriptures. He was a man of genuine and enlightened piety, and of great integrity, firm in his purpose, mild in his disposition, and modest and unobtrusive in his manners. In circumstances of peculiar trial he evinced a large share of the "charity which suffereth long, and is kind;" never, however, sacrificing to expediency what he deemed to be a just principle. He exhibited a correct knowledge of the rules and discipline of Methodism, and an uncompromising determination to respect and maintain them. For some years his health had been gradually declining; but it was not until a few weeks before his death that his disease was discovered to be of a dangerous character. He received the intelligence without alarm; expressed a willingness to do or suffer the will of God; and was ready to give a "reason of the hope that was in him." He declared his sure and certain hope of a blissful immortality through the merits of the Redeemer, with unwavering confidence, even unto the end; and expired in great peace on the 15th of January, 1848.

(8.) RALPH GIBSON; who was born in Weardale, in the county of Durham, in the year 1791. He was converted to God in the tenth year of his age, and entered our ministry in the year 1815. As a Preacher, he was zealous, affectionate, useful, and often impassioned. His sermons were the fruit of a strong mind, enlightened by general reading and the study of the sacred Scriptures. His piety was deep, his judgment sound, and his character unimpeachable: his kindness of heart and devoted love of Methodism secured for him the esteem of the people, and the confidence

of his brethren. It pleased God frequently to visit him with severe affliction. Soon after the Conference of 1847, he caught a severe cold, which settled on his lungs, and terminated in death. During his last illness he said, "Should I recover, I will preach the atonement in every sermon: I can do nothing without the atonement now." "All is well." "Christ is all I want." He died in the triumph of faith, January 20th, 1848, in the fifty-seventh year of his age, and the thirty-third of his ministry.

(9.) JOHN R. BROWNE, of the Chester Circuit. In early life he was convinced of his danger as a sinner, and obtained, through the free mercy of God, the gift of a saving faith in Christ. Constrained by the love of the Saviour, and of the souls of men, he began soon after to call sinners to repentance; and in his nineteenth year was admitted as a probationer for the ministry. His piety was deep: he gave attention to reading; and being conscientiously diligent, and possessed of a good understanding, he acquired a considerable amount of general information, and an enlarged acquaintance with the system of truth contained in the holy Scriptures. His public ministry was plain and practical. In the early part of his career it was eminently awakening; and as he became further acquainted with the life of faith, it was increasingly adapted to the edification of the church. He discharged the duties of his office, as a Minister and Superintendent, with fidelity and affection, and enjoyed the esteem of the people of his charge, as well as the confidence of his brethren. During the third year of his labours in Chester, he was seized with paralysis, and at the following Conference retired from active service. He felt this to be a severe trial; but his submission to the will of his heavenly Father was complete and cheerful; and the expressions which he used were generally indicative of an unshaken faith, and a gradual ripening for a better world. He earnestly desired to resume the work of the ministry, if possible; but his hopes were cut off by a second seizure; and he suddenly exchanged mortality for life on the 2d of February, 1848, in the fifty-first year of his age, and thirty-third of his ministry.

(10.) WILLIAM PEARSON; who was born at Diss, in Norfolk, in 1775. In the year 1800, shortly after his conversion, he commenced his ministry, and discharged its duties with an unblemished reputation for forty-two years. In the work of the ministry he was laborious and useful. During the years of his retirement he was diligent in reading and in doing good. When approaching the close of life, he gave pleasing evidence of maturing piety. The day previous to his death he had walked seven miles to conduct a lovefeast and preach, to which duties he attended with unusual vigour. He frequently expressed a wish that, if such were the will of God, he might be spared a lingering illness: in this he was most remarkably indulged, as he expired, almost with-

out premonition, and apparently without a pang, in the seventy-third year of his age, and in the forty-eighth of his ministry. He died February 14th, 1848.

(11.) JOHN PICKAVANT, Superintendent of the Leeds Third Circuit. He was born at Rufford, in Lancashire, in the year 1792. When about sixteen years of age, he was brought to a saving knowledge of the truth, under the ministry of the Rev. James B. Holroyd. At this time his native village was favoured with a remarkable outpouring of the Holy Spirit, in connexion with which fourteen of his own name and family were, in six weeks, enrolled in one Class-Book. He began to preach at an early age; and his labours, from the commencement of his career, were marked by more than ordinary zeal, acceptance, and success. In 1814 he was called to the work of the ministry. His first Circuit was Luton, in Bedfordshire; but at the following Conference he was appointed to Newfoundland, where he laboured for about thirty years, and was instrumental in extending and establishing the infant churches in that island. During the greater part of this time he held the responsible office of the Chairman of the District; enjoying in a high degree the confidence and esteem of the Missionary Committee, and beloved and respected by his brethren, and by all classes of the Colonists. In 1843 he returned to England, with his health so greatly impaired that he was compelled to retire from the more active duties of the ministry. The following year, however, he was sufficiently recovered to take charge of a Circuit, which he continued to do till his death. He possessed, in more than common measure, some of the most important qualifications for usefulness in the great work to which his life was devoted. His piety was deep, uniform, and cheerful. His address was easy, engaging, and dignified. His views of evangelical truth were clear and comprehensive. He evinced no taste for speculation or controversy; but his discourses were eminently lucid in their exposition and enforcement of Christian duty and privilege. They always embodied the marrow of the Gospel; were well arranged, and often strikingly powerful in their style; according with his unaffectedly earnest, though not vehement, manner, and rendering his public ministry both effective and popular. His disposition was marked by great amiability and friendliness; which, as auxiliary to his attractive piety, made him a universal favourite, and a centre of religious influence in the social circle. Indeed, it is thought that few men have more eminently succeeded in securing the friendship and confidence of their associates. After a severe illness of more than three months, which he endured with exemplary patience, he died, in sure and certain hope of eternal life, on the 27th of March, 1848, in the fifty-seventh year of his age, and the thirty-fourth of his ministry.

(12.) PHILIP JAMESON. Of the time of his conversion to God no record can be obtained; but of the genuineness of that conversion he gave the most unequivocal proof in the deep and fervent piety of his subsequent walk through life. In the year 1807 he entered upon the work of the Christian ministry, and performed the duties of his sacred calling with acceptance and usefulness. His meek and affable disposition obtained for him the esteem of all who knew him. He was apparently reserved; but, upon acquaintance, was found to be open and free. His piety was unquestionable; for in simplicity and godly sincerity, not with fleshly wisdom, but by the grace of God, he had his conversation in the world. He was firmly and conscientiously attached to the Wesleyan body, and was scrupulously exact in his attention to his ministerial duties, studying to show himself approved unto God, "a workman that needeth not to be ashamed." His sermons were plain and scriptural, instructive and faithful, and delivered with such energy and pathos as rendered them useful to his hearers. In 1846 he became a Supernumerary, and resided in Thetford. After this period his pulpit ministrations were few; but as often as his infirmities would permit, he met a class, and engaged in the work of pastoral visitation. His last affliction was short and severe. A few hours before his death, a friend who called to see him said, "The Rock on which we build is firm;" when he replied, "I find it so." He entered into rest, April 5th, 1848, in the seventy-fourth year of his age.

(13.) WILLIAM CLEGG, SEN.; who was born at Bury, Lancashire, 1787. When nineteen years of age he was deeply convinced of sin under a sermon preached by the late Rev. James Wood. After seeking the Divine mercy for several weeks, he was enabled to lay hold by faith of the atonement, and obtained the Spirit of adoption. He was recommended to the Conference of 1808 as a candidate for our ministry, in which he continued for the space of thirty-eight years. Possessed of extensive theological knowledge, and clear and scriptural views of Divine truth, his sermons were lucid, evangelical, practical, and impressive. His delivery was calm but forcible, mild but earnest, and seldom failed to secure the attention of his hearers. He was indefatigable in the fulfilment of his pastoral duties. The urbanity and kindness of his disposition rendered his visits to the people very agreeable; and they were generally seasons of refreshing from the presence of the Lord. His colleagues in the ministry invariably found him an affectionate friend. Honoured with the confidence of his brethren, he discharged the important duties imposed upon him with diligence and fidelity. In 1835 he was subjected to painful anxiety of mind, arising out of the Connexional agitations of that period. But it was not until the year 1846 that he was obliged to relinquish all public and official duties. Towards the close of life

he was utterly prostrated by his mental and physical infirmities. A few days before his death he said, with much feeling, "I am very happy. I have no fear, no doubt now." He died suddenly at Hull, April 11th, 1848, in the sixty-first year of his age.

(14.) JAMES AKERMAN. He was a native of Wiltshire, was blessed with pious parents, and from his childhood was accustomed to hear the Gospel preached by the Methodists. In the twentieth year of his age, having previously joined the Society, he obtained a clear sense of the pardoning love of God, through faith in the Redeemer. Soon after this he began to preach, and in 1809 was regularly called into the work of the ministry. His views of Divine truth were clear and evangelical, and in every Circuit to which he was appointed his labours were acceptable and useful. Throughout the whole of his ministerial career, he maintained an unblemished character. His temper was amiable, and his deportment modest, unassuming, and courteous. He was universally beloved and respected, both by his brethren in the ministry, and the people among whom his lot was cast. For several years he was subject to a disease of the heart, which rendered it necessary for him to become a Supernumerary for two years in Jersey, and eventually to retire altogether from our work. In 1844 he fixed his residence at Penzance, where he continued, as far as his strength permitted, to make himself useful in visiting the sick, and in meeting classes. His death was very sudden: while he was dressing, he fell gently to the floor, never spoke again, and in about an hour expired. He had, however, long lived in a state of habitual preparation for the final summons; and with him unquestionably "sudden death" was "sudden glory." He died at Penzance, April 13th, 1848, in the sixty-second year of his age, and the thirty-ninth of his ministry.

(15.) LEWIS LEWIS; who was born at St. Blazey, in Cornwall. Very early in life he was the subject of deep religious impressions; but while his father was labouring under a painful and severe affliction, his mind became so convinced of the necessity of inward religion, that he determined on an immediate surrender of himself to God. He sought and found "redemption in the blood of Christ, the forgiveness of his sins." Naturally ardent in his temperament, he became very active in prayer, and other means of grace; and shortly afterwards engaged as a Local Preacher, the duties of which office he discharged with much fidelity and zeal. In 1837 he was called to devote himself fully to the Christian ministry. As a Wesleyan Missionary, he was diligent in study, labouring to prove himself "a workman that needeth not to be ashamed." His pulpit ministrations were acceptable and useful. He was an affectionate Pastor. Catholic in his principles, frank and generous in his disposition, he was esteemed not only by his

brethren, but by the Ministers and members of other churches. He was deeply impressed with the importance of attending to the young persons in our congregations; and, wherever he could, established catechumen-classes, which he endeavoured to make both interesting and profitable. During his last illness, which was short and severe, he constantly expressed strong confidence in God. When in prayer, a brother Minister entreated the Lord, if it were consistent with His will, speedily to restore him: he replied, with energy, "No, no; not till the end is fully answered." In this state of mind he passed into the realms above, deeply and sincerely regretted by all who knew him. He died June 30th, 1848, in the thirty-sixth year of his age, and the eleventh of his ministry.

(16.) THOMAS WALKER, of the York Circuit. He was brought to the knowledge of the Most High in the fifteenth year of his age. Being blessed with a religious education, and accustomed to attend the ministry of the Methodists, he soon found the Gospel to be the power of God to his salvation. At an early period of life he removed to Manchester, where he was soon distinguished for his punctuality and diligence. Having passed through the regular examination, in order to his entrance on the work of the ministry, he was called into that sphere of labour at the Conference in 1824. His discourses were never destitute of interest, generally appropriate, and often pointed and powerful. His qualifications for the work of the ministry, and the uprightness, integrity, and kindness which he manifested in his general deportment, made his labours to be esteemed in proportion as they were known. At the last Conference his bodily health had so far declined as to render it advisable, and even necessary, that he should rest from his labours for a period. He removed to York, where he felt assured he would receive that attention from the sympathy and affection of his friends, which would tend to soothe his mind in the season of suffering, and smooth his passage to a better world. Here his heavenly Father, by a lingering and painful process of sanctified suffering, in which he had most humbling views of his unworthiness and sinfulness, and of the holiness requisite to prepare him for the vision and enjoyment of an infinitely pure and holy Being, made him meet to be a partaker of the inheritance of the saints in light. During his last illness he repeatedly and emphatically said, "All is right! All is right!" His faith was emboldened; and he became importunate, though not impatient, that God should cut short His work, and receive him to Himself. He died July 7th, 1848, in the fiftieth year of his age, and the twenty-fourth of his ministry.

(17.) WILLIAM WILSON, 1st; who was born near Winchester, in the year 1779. He was brought to God under the ministry of the Rev. William Shelmerdine, and soon after his conversion

began to call sinners to repentance. He was recommended to the ministry by the late Rev. Joseph Entwisle, in the year 1810, and was actively employed in it for thirty-six years, ten of which he passed as a Missionary in the Bahama Islands. Two years ago he became a Supernumerary, and settled in Saddleworth, near Manchester. He was a man of great simplicity of manners, and earnest and diligent in his Master's cause. The chief feature in his Christian ministry was that of pastoral visitation; and in this department he was eminently useful, especially to the young. His death was sudden. It occurred in London, where he had arrived on a visit only an hour and a half before. He died July 31st, 1848, in the sixty-ninth year of his age, and the thirty-eighth of his ministry.

2. In *Ireland*, four, viz.,—

(1.) WILLIAM RICHEY, of the Youghal Mission. He was born near Clogher, in the county of Tyrone, in the year 1793, and converted to God in the nineteenth year of his age. Having given satisfactory evidence of genuine piety, zeal for God, and other necessary qualifications for the Christian ministry, he was called to engage in its duties in the year 1814, and continued efficiently to fulfil them to the period of his decease. Humility, simplicity, and spirituality, united to a naturally kind and affectionate disposition, attracted the attention of all with whom he had intercourse, and greatly endeared him to the people amongst whom he exercised his ministry. His sermons were plain and evangelical, and his delivery of them was earnest and impressive. As a Pastor, he was diligent, faithful, and persevering; and his visits, whether to the people of his immediate charge or to others, were well-timed, judicious, and so admirably suited to leave a spiritual and abiding impression, that by them his way was frequently opened to further usefulness. For some months before his death he was much exposed to injury from his exertions in consequence of the fever which then prevailed; but his mind was peculiarly upheld by the consolations of the Holy Spirit; and when himself seized by the disease in a malignant form, having yet perfect command of his faculties, such was his anxiety to return to his beloved duties, that he earnestly inquired of his medical attendant when he thought he might resume his labours. But his work on earth was finished, and his everlasting rest at hand. The closing scene was solemnly edifying and impressive; for, having devoutly expressed his desire “to depart, and to be with Christ,” with his dying breath he fervently prayed for his family, and for the church of God, and so fell asleep in Jesus, on the 23d of July, 1847, in the fifty-fourth year of his age, and the thirty-third of his ministry.

(2.) WILLIAM STARKEY, of the Kinsale Mission. He was blessed with pious parents, who trained him up “in the nurture

and admonition of the Lord." In early life he was awakened to a deep sense of his guilt and danger, and obtained the knowledge of salvation by the remission of sins, through faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. Having been distinguished by consistent piety and usefulness in a subordinate capacity, he was called to the public ministry in 1830, and laboured in word and doctrine with general acceptance and success, much beloved by the people to whom he ministered. It pleased God to visit him with severe family bereavements; yet, sustained by grace, he murmured not, but meekly submitted to the wise dispensations of his Father in heaven. He was amiable in spirit, and unassuming in manners, respectable and useful as a Preacher, diligent and punctual in attention to all his pastoral duties. His piety shone with increasing lustre in his latest sufferings: he knew in whom he had believed; and his death was not only peaceful but triumphant. His Master's call was unexpected, and comparatively sudden. There is reason to believe that the scenes of distress through which he passed in ministering to the suffering poor, during the late famine, acting on a heart peculiarly tender, injuriously affected his constitution, and hastened his end. He died in Bandon, on the 17th of September, 1847, in the forty-fifth year of his age, and the eighteenth of his ministry.

(3.) **GEORGE DEERY**, of the Omagh Circuit, in the twenty-eighth year of his age, and the fourth of his ministry. He was a young man of great prudence, piety, and zeal, of considerable ability for the profitable exercise of the Christian ministry, and much beloved by the people amongst whom he laboured. He died in Dublin, in his father's house, on the 18th of January, 1848, of a rapid consumption, in full assurance of his acceptance with God, through faith in the sacrificial death of the Lord Jesus Christ. "Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord."

(4.) **ARCHIBALD CAMPBELL**. He was truly converted to God in early life; and, having experienced redemption by faith in the blood of Christ, he began to call sinners to repentance, and gave such indications of talent and promise of usefulness in our ministry, that in 1797 he was appointed to a Circuit, and continued diligently engaged in the sacred work until 1828, when he was obliged to become a Supernumerary. He was a man of good understanding, improved by general reading, and was thoroughly acquainted with, and heartily attached to, our doctrines and discipline. Since the year 1830 he resided in Dublin, and subsequently suffered much affliction, which he endured with Christian patience; finishing his earthly career in the faith and hope of the Gospel, March 23d, 1848, aged eighty years.

3. In our *Foreign Missions*, three have died, viz.,—

(1.) **JOHN M'KENNY**, 1st. He was born at Coleraine, in

Ireland, where his parents were pious and respectable members of the Wesleyan-Methodist Society. His conversion took place during a religious awakening among the young people, who had been formed into a kind of catechumen-class by the Minister, the Rev. William Ferguson. He was made happy in the pardoning love of God when about twelve years of age; and from this period until his entrance on our ministry, he was a serious and devoted disciple of Christ, having a good report of all. At the Conference of 1812 he was placed on the List of Reserve, and was appointed in the following year to accompany the late venerable Dr. Coke in the commencement of our Missions to Southern Africa and Asia. He was placed in the pastoral charge of our early Society in Cape-Town; and was then removed to the island of Ceylon, where he was highly esteemed as a faithful Missionary. In 1832 he was sent to superintend our Missions in Australia; an office the duties of which he discharged most zealously and efficiently, till, in 1846, he was compelled by growing infirmities to become a Supernumerary Minister; when the remaining portion of his consecrated energies was cheerfully expended in the service of God and of His church. He was a man of simple faith in the atoning sacrifice of God's dear Son; a faith that was most uniform in its exercise, and most scriptural in its manifestations. Both in principle and in practice, he was thoroughly Wesleyan. He well understood and faithfully pursued the special and proper calling of a Minister in our body; taking the oversight of the entire interests of the Societies committed to his care, and labouring to advance the prosperity of every department of our work, the temporal as well as the spiritual. In superintending projects of church extension, he displayed a truly correct taste and an excellent judgment; and by his wisdom and prudence he preserved our Connexional property from being involved in financial embarrassments. His own early piety led him naturally to care for the welfare of the young. He was the patron and friend of our Sunday and Day Schools, and of religious training in general for those of tender age. His pulpit ministrations were distinguished by respectable and cultivated talent, by an earnest and devout solicitude that sinners should become reconciled unto God, and by an habitual sense of solemn responsibility to his Divine Master and Lord. Affectionate and warm-hearted towards his own more immediate fellow-labourers in the Gospel vineyard, he was at the same time a lover of good men in all the churches that are in Christ Jesus throughout the whole world. He died, as he had lived, steadfast in the faith, and testifying of his happy assurance of his saving interest in the great atonement, at Sydney, New South Wales, October 31st, 1847, in the fifty-eighth year of his age, and the thirty-sixth of his ministry.

(2.) JAMES R. WESTLEY. He was awakened to a conviction of his spiritual danger, under a sermon from the 139th Psalm,

preached at Kingsland-road, London, by the Rev. Mr. Holloway; and shortly afterwards obtained the knowledge of salvation by the remission of his sins. From a deep conviction of duty he entered the ministry, and was received by the Conference of 1846. His labours, though brief, were not without fruit; and those who knew him best were anticipating for him a career of more than ordinary usefulness. He was diligent in his improvement of time, close in his application to study, unremitting in his pastoral duties, and simple, but pointed and energetic, in enforcing the great doctrines of Scripture from the pulpit. The patience and faith of the Christian believer were conspicuous in his sickness and death. He died at Kingston, Jamaica, of yellow fever, on the 29th of November, 1847, in the thirtieth year of his age, after a residence in that island of scarcely thirteen months.

(3.) ROBERT LEAN, a native of Cornwall; a young man of deep piety, and of considerable promise. He arrived at the Gambia, Western Africa, and had commenced his Missionary career under circumstances of great encouragement; but was seized with fever, which terminated his earthly career on the 23d of March, 1848, at Macarthy's Island, in the twenty-fourth year of his age. During the short time which Mr. Lean had spent in the Gambia, he acquired the love both of the people of his charge, and of his Missionary brethren. His end was peace.

Q. V. Are there OBJECTIONS to any of our Ministers, or Preachers on Trial?

A. They were examined one by one.

Q. VI. What persons, who were in full connexion with the Conference, have now CEASED TO BE RECOGNISED as Ministers among us?

A. 1. William Annetts.

2. Thomas Standring, who is allowed to retire from our work.

3. Josias F. Browne has voluntarily retired.

4. Barnabas J. Shaw and Thomas H. Walsh have retired for want of health.

5. Peter S. Barbenson, Berthaud Combe, Pierre Sallah, John Cupidon, and William De Graft, Assistant Missionaries, have also retired from our work.

Q. VII. How are our Ministers, and Preachers on Trial, STATIONED for the ensuing year?

A. As follows; viz.,—

GREAT BRITAIN.

[N.B. Each of the places mentioned in these Stations, and numbered from 1 to 438, is the head of a Circuit.]

The Superintendent and other Minister or Ministers stationed in or appointed to the several Circuits undermentioned, is and are appointed by the Conference to preach, and to perform all acts of religious worship and Methodist discipline, in each and every of the Wesleyan-Methodist Chapels already erected, or to be erected, within each Circuit respectively, within the space of twelve calendar months, at such time or times, and in such manner, as to him or them shall seem proper; subject nevertheless to the Superintendent Minister.]

[ROBERT NEWTON, D.D., PRESIDENT OF THE CONFERENCE.
JOSEPH FOWLER, SECRETARY.]

I.—THE LONDON DISTRICT.

- 1 *First London, (City-Road, &c.,)* Joseph Fowler, Secretary of the Conference, Israel Holgate, John Rattenbury, Joseph Hargreaves, Alfred Barrett; Joseph Brookhouse, Joshua Fielden, Isaac Phenix, sen., Seth Morris, Supernumeraries.

George Cubitt is our Editor; John S. Stamp is Assistant Editor; John Mason is our Book-Steward.

Jabez Bunting, D.D., John Beecham, D.D., Robert Alder, D.D., and Elijah Hoole, are the General Secretaries for our Missions; Walter O. Croggon is the Superintendent, under the direction of the Missionary Committee, of the Irish Missions and Schools.

Wesleyan Theological Institution :—

Dr. Bunting is re-appointed as the President of the Institution.

Southern Branch, Richmond, Thomas Jackson, Theological Tutor; Samuel Jackson, House-Governor; John Farrar, Classical Tutor; John D. Geden, Assistant Tutor.

Uxbridge, John W. Greeves.

N.B. Brother Greeves shall act under the direction of the House-Governor at Richmond.

Northern Branch, Didsbury, John Bowers, House-Governor; John Hannah, D.D., Theological Tutor; William L. Thornton, Classical Tutor; Benjamin Hellier, Assistant Tutor.

- 2 *Second London, (Great Queen-Street, &c.,)* John Lomas, Jacob Stanley, jun., William Davenport; Richard Reece, Supernumerary.

- 3 *Third London, (Spitalfields, &c.,)* Peter Duncan, Philip Hardcastle, Benjamin Gregory, jun., J. Gilchrist Wilson; James Baker, Supernumerary.

Thames Mission, William A. Quick, who shall change once on each Sabbath with the Ministers of the Third London Circuit.

- 4 *Fourth London, (Southwark, &c.,)* Timothy C. Ingle, Robert Thompson, Willson Brailsford; Robert Wheeler, James Lynch, Supernumeraries.
- 5 *Fifth London, (Lambeth, &c.,)* Thomas H. Squance, Thomas Pennington, David Hay, Luke Tyerman; Thomas Key, Thomas Harrison, Supernumeraries.
- 6 *Sixth London, (Hinde-Street, &c.,)* Abraham E. Farrar, William Atherton, Joseph Beaumont, M.D., William M. Bunting, William Clegg; Joseph Sutcliffe, A.M., Joseph Lewis, Supernumeraries.
- 7 *Seventh London, (Chelsea, &c.,)* John Brown, 1st, George Scott, 1st; John Bicknell, Supernumerary.
- 8 *Eighth London, (Islington, &c.,)* John Scott, John W. Etheridge, Ph.D., Thomas Vasey, Edward Lightwood, Michael C. Taylor; John Kershaw, John Mortier, Supernumeraries.
- 9 *Deptford,* James J. Topham, John P. Hetherington, Isaac Phenix, jun.; Thomas Rogers, Supernumerary.
- 10 *Hammersmith,* John Geden, George T. Perks.
- 11 *Croydon,* James Rathbone, Richard Eland, jun.; Edward Chapman, Supernumerary.
- 12 *Barking and Romford,* Edward Sackett, who shall change once in every four weeks, on the Lord's day, with the Ministers of the Third London Circuit.
- 13 *Leyton,* William Burnett, who shall change twice in every quarter of a year, on the Lord's day, with the Ministers of the First and Eighth London Circuits.
- N.B. Brother Burnett shall reside at Woodford, Essex.
- 14 *Ware and Bishop-Stortford,* George Hurst, John Walters.
- 15 *Cambridge,* Joseph K. Tucker, Thomas S. Bowers, B.A.
- 16 *Windsor,* John Nelson, 1st, John Hebb; Richard Cooper, Supernumerary.
- 17 *Chelmsford,* James Allen, 2d, Charles Willis.
- 18 *Maldon,* Francis S. Keeling, Peter Prescott, jun.
- 19 *Colchester,* James Cooke, 1st, John T. Yeates.
- 20 *Manningtree,* Thomas Jones, 1st, Frederick Payne, Robert G. Badcock.
- N.B. Brother Payne shall reside at Harwich.
- 21 *Ipswich,* William Lindley, Joseph Pechey, Edwin Fice; George North, Supernumerary.
- 22 *Hastings,* James Brownell, Samuel Coley; James Lancaster, Supernumerary.
- 23 *Sevenoaks,* Samuel Lucas, 1st.
- 24 *Tunbridge-Wells,* Robert M. MacBrair, M.A., Edwin Thorley, Thomas Wilkinson.

N.B. The Ministers of the Tunbridge-Wells Circuit shall change on one Sabbath in every month with the Minister at Sevenoaks, and shall also devote one Sabbath in every quarter, and one

week in every five, to the Sevenoaks Circuit.—

Brother Thorley shall reside at Tunbridge.

25 *Lewes and Eastbourne*, John Pearce, who shall change regularly with the Ministers of the Brighton Circuit.

26 *Brighton*, James Ray, Theophilus Woolmer, John Jones, 4th. N.B. Brother Woolmer shall reside at Worthing.

27 *St. Alban's*, Maurice Britton, John Eglinton, Thomas Harding. N.B. Brother Harding shall reside at Watford.

28 *Guildford and Alton*, Thomas Shaw, William Colbron, Charles E. Woolmer.

N.B. Brother Colbron shall reside at Alton, and Brother Woolmer at Godalming.

29 *Dorking and Horsham*, John Owen, Joshua Mottram.

N.B. Brother Mottram shall reside at Horsham.

JOSEPH FOWLER, *Chairman of the District*.

ISRAEL HOLGATE, *Financial Secretary*.

II.—THE BEDFORD AND NORTHAMPTON DISTRICT.

30 *Bedford and Ampthill*, John Stephenson, James Clapham, John S. Ridsdale; Maximilian Wilson, William Dixon, Supernumeraries.

31 *Leighton-Buzzard*, John W. Thomas, Charles Carter, Henry Banks. N.B. Brother Banks shall reside at Stewkley.

32 *Luton*, Thomas Stephenson, Benjamin John.

33 *Dunstable*, Peter Cooper, James Hedges; Joseph Walker, Supernumerary.

34 *St. Neot's*, Jesse Pilcher, John E. Cooke.

35 *Biggleswade*, Wright Shovelton, Robert W. Broomfield; Francis B. Potts, Supernumerary.

36 *Hitchin*, Charles Williams, who shall change on one Sunday in every six weeks with the Ministers of the Biggleswade Circuit.

37 *Huntingdon*, John Newton, John Tucker, Henry Needle.

38 *Northampton*, Samuel Timms, John G. Wilson; William Hinson, William Taylor, Supernumeraries.

39 *Towcester*, Thomas Pearson, 1st, Frederick F. Edmunds; William Mowat, Supernumerary.

40 *Daventry*, John Wood, William Ford, John Moore.

41 *Newport-Pagnell*, John Ingham, William O. Aldom.

42 *Higham-Ferrers*, Samuel H. Wardley, Richard Smailes.

43 *Wellingborough*, John Cullen, James Hartle.

44 *Kettering*, John Wevill; Henry Fish, A.M., Supernumerary.

45 *Market-Harborough*, John B. Whittingham, John W. Wilson; Richard Eland, sen., Supernumerary.

N.B. Brother Wilson shall devote every other Sabbath to the Kettering Circuit.

46 *Chatteris*, William Brocklehurst, Thomas B. Goodwin.

47 *Oundle*, Reuben Partridge, James Golding; Isaac Aldom, Supernumerary.

JOHN STEPHENSON, *Chairman of the District*.

THOMAS STEPHENSON, *Financial Secretary*.

III.—THE KENT DISTRICT.

- 48 *Canterbury*, Samuel Young, Gregory A. Page.
 49 *Faversham*, James Mole, George Blencowe.
 50 *Rochester*, Thomas Martin, John Crofts, John Philp.
 51 *Gravesend*, John Hobkirk, Thornley Smith.
 52 *Sheerness*, William Worth, who shall change on one Sunday
 in every six weeks with the Ministers of the
 Rochester Circuit.
 53 *Margate*, Robert Sherwell, Henry W. Williams.
 N.B. Brother Williams shall reside at Ramsgate.
 54 *Dover*, Thomas W. Smith, Thomas Bolas, William B.
 Pope; James Jarrett, Supernumerary.
 55 *Deal*, John Smith, 1st, Charles G. Turton.
 56 *Rye*, Robert Keyworth, John F. Moody.
 57 *Tenterden*, John W. Dawson, Edward B. Pinder.
 58 *Ashford*, Joseph Wilson, James A. Macdonald.
 59 *Sandhurst*, Thomas Brown, Pascho Hoskins.
 60 *Maidstone*, William M. Harvard, Henry J. Thomas.
Sittingbourne, William Wedlock, who shall change on one Sun-
 day in every three weeks with the Ministers at
 Faversham.

THOMAS MARTIN, *Chairman of the District.*

ROBERT SHERWELL, *Financial Secretary.*

IV.—THE NORWICH AND LYNN DISTRICT.

- 61 *Norwich*, William Sharpe, Matthew T. Male, James Wheeler;
 John Reynolds, 1st, John Hanwell, Supernume-
 raries.
 62 *Bungay*, William Edwards, 1st, Henry Balls.
 63 *North-Walsham*, James Jones, 1st, Charles Povah, Sampson Cock.
 64 *Yarmouth*, William Wilson, 2d, John Burton; James Waller,
 Supernumerary.
 65 *Lowestoff*, Henry Graham, Thomas Batten; William Wel-
 borne, Supernumerary.
 66 *Framlingham*, William Hopkins, Edward Watson.
 67 *Diss*, George Birley, Robert Colman, Joseph Bate.
 68 *New-Buckenhams*, Benjamin G. Mitchell, John Livingston.
 69 *Bury St. Edmund's*, John Sharman, George Elliott.
 70 *Holt*, John M. Budden, Edward Fison.
 71 *Lynn*, Samuel Tindall, Thomas Brumwell.
 72 *Swaffham*, Samuel Cooke, William B. Dennis.
 73 *Downham*, William Baker, jun., George Smith, 1st.
 74 *Walsingham*, John Coates, William Baddeley.
 75 *Wisbeach*, Henry Cheverton, John Bonser.
 76 *Thetford*, Theophilus Pugh, Joseph Portrey; John Piggott,
 Supernumerary.
 N.B. Brother Portrey shall reside at Methwold.
 77 *Mildenhall*, Thomas Brothwood, William Rodman; Thomas
 Newton, Supernumerary.

- 78 *Ely*, Joseph Midgley, Abel Burgess, John Hirst.
 WILLIAM SHARPE, *Chairman of the District*.
 SAMUEL TINDALL, *Financial Secretary*.

V.—THE OXFORD DISTRICT.

- 79 *Oxford*, John W. Button, William Hopewell.
 80 *High-Wycombe*, John Booth, William Jewett.
 81 *Aylesbury*, George F. Driver, James Sugden.
 82 *Witney*, Charles Westlake, John D. Julian.
 83 *Banbury*, John Stevens, Richard Woodfin.
Kington, Edward Bramford, who shall change on one Sunday
 in every month with the Ministers at Banbury.
 84 *Newbury*, Joseph Earnshaw, Thomas Withington.
 85 *Reading*, Thomas Baker, James Hughes; Samuel Leigh,
 Supernumerary.
 86 *Hungerford*, Paul Orchard, sen., Ebenezer Tovey, Paul Or-
 chard, jun.
 87 *Watlington*, Thomas Denham.
Thame, William Bramford.
 N.B. The Ministers of the two preceding Circuits
 shall change on one Sunday in every month.
 88 *Brackley*, John Mann, John Dowty, John T. Morley.
 89 *Chipping-Norton*, William Baker, sen., James Cooke, 3d.
 90 *Swindon*, Aaron Langley, Alexander Puddicombe.
 N.B. Brother Puddicombe shall reside at Far-
 ringdon.
 91 *Wantage*, Zephaniah Job, Jacob Turvey.
 N.B. Brother Turvey shall reside at Abingdon.
 JOHN W. BUTTON, *Chairman of the District*.
 CHARLES WESTLAKE, *Financial Secretary*.

VI.—THE PORTSMOUTH DISTRICT.

- 92 *Portsmouth*, Benjamin Andrews, LL.D., John Crawshaw, John
 Fletcher; Thomas Fletcher, Supernumerary.
 93 *Gosport*, George Beard, John Dawson.
 94 *Salisbury*, Henry Groves, Daniel Chapman; William Tranter,
 Supernumerary.
 95 *Poole*, James Cooke, 2d, Daniel Hateley, Thomas Green.
 N.B. Brother Hateley shall reside at Wimborne,
 and Brother Green at Swanage.
 96 *Ringwood*, John L. Sanders, who shall change regularly on
 the Lord's day with the Ministers at Poole.
 97 *Newport, Isle of Wight*, William Moister, John Blackwell, John
 Parry, William Hessel.
 N.B. Brother Parry shall reside at Cowes, and
 Brother Blackwell at Ryde.
 98 *Southampton and Winchester*, John Knowles, 2d, Edward Crofts,
 George Turner, 2d, Wesley Farrar, M.A.;
 Richard Waddy, Supernumerary.
 N.B. Brother Crofts shall reside at Romsey, and
 Brother Farrar at Winchester.

- 99 *Andover*, Uriah Butters, Francis T. Tranmer.
 100 *Chichester*, John Knowles, 1st, William J. Dawson.

BENJAMIN ANDREWS, LL.D., *Chairman of the District*.
 HENRY GROVES, *Financial Secretary*.

VII.—THE GUERNSEY DISTRICT.

- 101 *Guernsey*, (*English*,) Ninian Barr; William Toase, Edward Batty, George Southern, Supernumeraries.
 102 *Guernsey*, (*French*,) Philip Tourgis, John de Putron.
 103 *Alderney*, George Leale.
 104 *Jersey*, (*English*,) James Mowat, George Kevern; James Etchells, Supernumerary.
 105 *Jersey*, (*French*,) Daniel Robin, John Renier, James Hocart; Amice Olivier, Supernumerary.
 James Hocart is the Editor of the French Magazine.
 N.B. Brother Renier shall reside at St. Saviour's, and Brother Hocart at St. Peter's.

JAMES MOWAT, *Chairman of the District*.

VIII.—THE DEVONPORT DISTRICT.

- 106 *Devonport*, John Smith, 2d, Samuel W. Christophers, Henry Young.
 107 *Plymouth*, Robert Bond, Thomas Wood, John Harvard; Thomas Bersey, Oliver Henwood, Joshua Wade, Supernumeraries.
 108 *Launceston*, Humphrey B. Trethewey, John W. Roberts.
 109 *Holdsworthy*, Joseph Payne, Peter Sharland.
 110 *Kilkhampton*, John Allin, John Shipham.
 111 *Liskeard*, Richard Moody, John Locke; William Beal, Supernumerary.
 112 *Callington*, John Ryan, 2d, James Nance.
 113 *Tavistock*, Henry Hicks, Joseph B. West; Nicholas Sibly, Supernumerary.
 114 *Camelford*, William Sanders, William D. Tyack; John Robinson, Supernumerary.
 N.B. Brother Tyack shall reside at Wadebridge.
 115 *Kingsbridge*, Josiah Mycock, James Mitchell.
 N.B. Brother Mitchell shall reside at Modbury.
 116 *Brixham*, John B. Alexander, John Thomas, 2d.
 N.B. Brother Thomas shall reside at Dartmouth.
 117 *Ashburton*, Samuel Brown, 1st, Henry Daniels; Joseph Armstrong, Supernumerary.
 N.B. Brother Daniels shall reside at Buckfastleigh.
 JOHN SMITH, 2d, *Chairman of the District*.
 ROBERT BOND, *Financial Secretary*.

IX.—THE CORNWALL DISTRICT.

- 118 *Redruth*, Edward Jennings, Edwin J. Sturges.
 119 *Camborne*, Thomas Collins, Robert Lyon, John Gostick.
 N.B. Brother Gostick shall reside at Tuckingmill.

- 120 *Falmouth*, Thomas Hardy, Matthew Andrew.
N.B. Brother Andrew shall reside at Penryn.
- 121 *Truro*, Edward Nye, Michael Johnson.
- 122 *Gwennap*, Thomas Jewell, Hender Geach, William O. Cuttle.
N.B. Brother Geach shall reside at Perranwell.
- 123 *St. Agnes*, James Pilley, Henry B. Cox.
- 124 *St. Austle*, Elijah Toyne, Edward Branstone, Frederick W. Briggs; Joseph Womersley, Supernumerary.
- 125 *St. Mawes*, Benjamin Carvosso, who shall change once in every month, on the Lord's day, with the Ministers at St. Austle.
- 126 *Bodmin*, Benjamin Elvins, John M'Kenny.
- 127 *St. Columb*, William Harvie, James Fisher.
- 128 *Penzance*, Robert Young, John H. James; John Reynolds, 2d, Ralph Scurrah, John Collier, Supernumeraries.
- 129 *St. Just*, Everit Vigis, Isaac Harding.
- 130 *St. Ives*, William P. Burgess, Henry D. Lowe.
- 131 *Scilly Islands*, Thomas Flower.
- 132 *Helstone*, James Edney, Peter Parsons, Thomas Osborne; William Sleep, Charles Colwell, Supernumeraries.
- 133 *Hayle*, William Appleby, John Killick, John P. James; Simeon Noall, Supernumerary.
- 134 *Marazion*, John Gregory, Alexander T. James.

ROBERT YOUNG, *Chairman of the District.*
EDWARD NYE, *Financial Secretary.*

X.—THE EXETER DISTRICT.

- 135 *Exeter*, James Grose, William Seccombe; James Odgers, James Whitworth, Supernumeraries.
- Crediton*, Thomas Leach.
- 136 *Tiverton*, John Osborne, John Nowell, 2d.
- 137 *Taunton and Wellington*, John Hobson, Thomas Jefferies; Richard Ray, Governor and Chaplain of the Wesleyan Proprietary School; Francis Collier, John Simmons, Supernumeraries.
N.B. Brother Jefferies shall reside at Wellington.
- 138 *Bridgewater*, Henry Ranson, Samuel W. Robinson.
- 139 *South-Petherton*, Thomas Catterick, John Hugill.
N.B. Brother Hugill shall reside at Crewkerne.
- 140 *Axminster and Honiton*, James Stott.
- 141 *Budleigh-Salterton and Ottery St. Mary's*, Ralph Stott, William Thomas.
N.B. Brother Thomas shall divide his labours equally between the Axminster and the Budleigh-Salterton Circuits.
- 142 *Bridport*, Thomas Thompson, A.M., Henry Hayman.
N.B. Brother Hayman shall reside at Lyme-Regis.
- 143 *Barnstaple*, Samuel Beard, Charles B. Ritchie; John Rogers, Supernumerary.

- 144 *South-Moulton*, James Sutch, James Hargreaves.
 145 *Bideford*, William Webb, 1st, John Vine, William Williams,
 2d; John C. Clendinnen, Supernumerary.
 N.B. Brother Vine shall reside at Great-Tor-
 rington.
 146 *Dunster*, John Saunders, William F. Clark.
 N.B. The Superintendent shall reside at Williton.
 147 *Oakhampton*, Richard Greenwood, William S. Bestall.
 148 *Teignmouth*, John Williams, George Barnley, John Mollard.
 N.B. Brother Mollard shall reside at Newton-
 Busbell, and Brother Barnley at Torquay.
 JOHN HOBSON, *Chairman of the District*.
 RICHARD RAY, *Financial Secretary*.

XI.—THE BRISTOL DISTRICT.

- 149 *Bristol, North, (King-Street, &c.,)* Joseph Wood, John M'Lean,
 William Hurt, Thomas S. Monkhouse, Anthony
 Ward; John Woodrow, Joseph Bowes, Robert
 James, Thomas R. Fisher, Supernumeraries.
 150 *Bristol, South, (Langton-Street, &c.,)* John Hall, James Carr.
 151 *Kingswood*, William Davies, 2d, Henry B. Brown; Joseph
 Cusworth, Governor of Kingswood School;
 Samuel Jones, A.M., Head-Master of the School.
 152 *Banwell*, Joseph Crump, Thomas Sheers, George C. Har-
 vard.
 N.B. Brother Harvard shall reside at Weston-
 super-Mare.
 153 *Stroud*, John Evans, 1st, William Worker, James H. Rigg.
 N.B. Brother Rigg shall reside at Cirencester.
 154 *Dursley*, John Crowe, John Anderson, Henry Laughler;
 Thomas Talboys, Daniel Osborne, Super-
 numeraries.
 N.B. Brother Anderson shall reside at Eastington.
 155 *Downend, (near Bristol,)* Henry V. Olver, John Bissell.
 156 *Gloucester*, John Smedley, John Lyth.
 157 *Tewkesbury*, James Heaton, Matthew Salt.
 158 *Cheltenham*, William Burt, George C. Taylor, William Edwards,
 2d; Frederick Calder, George Robinson, Super-
 numeraries.
 N.B. Brother Edwards shall reside at Winchcombe.
 159 *Newport, (Monmouthshire,)* Aquila Barber, John Spencer Jones,
 William Powell, 2d; Charles Haime, Super-
 numerary.
 160 *Cardiff*, Charles Tucker, George Rowe.
 N.B. The Ministers at Cardiff and Bridgeend
 shall change once in six weeks.
 161 *Bridgeend*, James Mayer.
 162 *Monmouth*, Joseph Lowthian, Uriah Scott.
 163 *Abergavenny and Pontypool*, Hugh Carter, Thomas Rogerson;
 Thomas Armett, Supernumerary.
 N.B. The Superintendent shall reside at Pontypool.

164 *Ledbury and Forest of Dean*, James Meadmore, John Bramley,
John S. Workman.

165 *Hereford*, Thomas Webb, Joseph L. Ball.

WILLIAM BURT, *Chairman of the District.*

JOHN HALL, *Financial Secretary.*

XII.—THE BATH DISTRICT.

166 *Bath*, John Rigg, James Bromley, William Davison ;
Thomas Ashton, Richard Harding, Supernu-
meraries.

167 *Bradford*, (*Wilts.*) Hugh Jones, George F. White.

N.B. Brother White shall reside at Trowbridge.

168 *Midsomer-Norton*, William Box, Josiah Goodwin, Henry M.
Harvard.

169 *Frome*, William Hill, Joseph T. Sanger.

Warminster, George Clement, who shall change with the
Ministers at Frome once in six weeks.

170 *Melksham*, James Lees, Joseph Exell.

171 *Devizes*, William W. Rouch, who shall change on one
Sabbath in every six weeks with the Ministers
at Melksham.

172 *Shepton-Mallet*, James Taylor, 1st, Christopher Ridler.

173 *Sherborne*, James Smeeth, Walter Vercoe; John Bustard,
Supernumerary.

174 *Weymouth*, Thomas Robinson, John Radford.

N.B. Brother Radford shall reside at Portland.

175 *Dorchester*, Thomas Payne, John Lesson.

176 *Shaftesbury*, John Nicklin, James S. Haigh.

177 *Glastonbury*, William Griffith, sen., Charles Howe.

JOHN RIGG, *Chairman of the District.*

WILLIAM BOX, *Financial Secretary.*

XIII.—THE FIRST SOUTH WALES DISTRICT.

(ENGLISH PREACHING.)

178 *Swansea*, Joseph Pratten, John G. Avery; Evan Parry,
Supernumerary.

N.B. Brother Avery shall reside at Neath.

179 *Merthyr-Tydvil*, Joseph Fletcher, John W. Cotton, Joseph
Spencer.

180 *Brecon*, William Davies, 1st, Richard Roberts.

181 *Carmarthen*, John Morgan, Robert Rees; Thomas Warren,
Supernumerary.

N.B. Brother Rees shall reside at Llanelly.

182 *Haverford-West*, William Bytheway, Thomas Heeley.

N.B. Brother Heeley shall reside at Milford.

183 *Pembroke*, John Rossell, John Martin.

JOSEPH PRATTEN, *Chairman of the District.*

WILLIAM DAVIES, 1st, *Financial Secretary.*

XIV.—THE SECOND SOUTH WALES DISTRICT.

(WELSH PREACHING.)

184 *Merthyr-Tydvil*, Thomas Aubrey, Ebenezer Morgan.

- 185 *Crickhowell*, John Lloyd, Lewis Williams.
 186 *Cardiff*, Owen Owen, Joseph Jones.
 187 *Cowbridge*, David Morgan.
 N.B. 1. Brother Jones shall divide his labours between the Cardiff and Cowbridge Circuits.
 2. The Superintendents shall change on one Sunday in every two months.
- 188 *Brecon*, John Rees.
 189 *Llandilo*, Evan Richards; Morgan Griffith, Supernumerary.
 N.B. The Ministers in the Brecon and Llandilo Circuits shall change on one Sunday in every quarter.
- 190 *Carmarthen*, Thomas Jones, 2d, John Herbert; Hugh Hughes, Supernumerary.
- 191 *Swansea*, Lot Hughes; William Hughes, Supernumerary.
 192 *Cardigan*, Robert Owen, Richard Evans.
 N.B. The Superintendent shall reside at Lampeter.
- 193 *St. David's*, Isaac Jenkins.
 N.B. The Ministers in the Cardigan and St. David's Circuits shall change on one Sunday in every quarter.
- 194 *Aberystwith*, Robert Williams, James Jones, 2d; Griffith Hughes, Thomas Jones, 3d, Supernumeraries.
- 195 *Machynlleth*, William Rowlands; William Evans, Supernumerary.
- 196 *Llanidloes*, Henry Wilcox, Editor; Timothy Jones, Book-Steward; Edward Jones, 1st, Supernumerary.
 THOMAS JONES, 2d, *Chairman of the District*.
 ISAAC JENKINS, *Financial Secretary*.

XV.—THE NORTH WALES DISTRICT.

(WELSH PREACHING.)

- 197 *Ruthin and Denbigh*, John Bartley, David Williams.
 198 *Llangollen*, Benjamin Roberts, John Evans, 2d.
 199 *Corwen*, Thomas Morris; Evan Hughes, Supernumerary.
 N.B. 1. Brother Evans shall divide his labours between the Llangollen and Corwen Circuits.
 2. The Superintendents shall change on two Sundays in every quarter.
- 200 *Llanrwst*, David Gravel, John R. Chambers, Evan Davies.
 N.B. The Superintendent shall reside at Abergele.
- 201 *Holywell*, Edward Anwyl, William Owens.
 202 *Mold*, John Richards, 1st, Daniel Jones.
 203 *Llanasa, near Holywell*, Lewis Jones.
 N.B. The Ministers of the Llanasa and Holywell Circuits shall change on two Sundays in every quarter.
- 204 *Beaumaris*, Humphrey Jones, William Jones.
 205 *Amlwch*, Methuselah Thomas.

N.B. 1. Brother W. Jones shall divide his labours between the Beaumaris and Amlwch Circuits.

2. The Superintendents shall change on two Sundays in every six weeks.

206 *Carnarvon*,
207 *Bangor*,

Robert Jones, 1st.

Rowland Hughes, Evan Pugh.

N.B. The Ministers of the two preceding Circuits shall change on two Sundays in every quarter.

208 *Pwllheli*,
209 *Barmouth*,

Robert Jones, 2d; Evan Edwards, Supernumerary.

David Evans, William Davies, 3d.

N.B. The Ministers of the two preceding Circuits shall change on two Sundays in every quarter.

210 *Dolgelly*,
211 *Llanfyllin*,

John Hughes, Samuel Davies, 2d.

Richard Prichard, Robert Jones, 3d; William Batten, David Jones, Supernumeraries.

212 *Llanfair*,

John L. Richards.

N.B. The Ministers of the two preceding Circuits shall change on two Sundays in every quarter.

EDWARD ANWYL, *Chairman of the District.*

JOHN L. RICHARDS, *Financial Secretary.*

XVI.—THE BIRMINGHAM AND SHREWSBURY DISTRICT.

213 *Birmingham, West, (Cherry-Street, &c.,)* Isaac Keeling, James Dixon, D.D., William Wilson, 3d, Edward Brice; Robert Melson, Supernumerary.

214 *Birmingham, East, (Belmont-Row, &c.,)* Joseph Roberts, 1st, James Little, John Hartley; Benjamin Wood, James Hyde, Supernumeraries.

215 *West-Bromwich*, John Bedford, John Tindall.

216 *Wednesbury*, James Shoar, William Tarr, Benjamin Slack, John Keightley; Joseph Hunt, Supernumerary.

217 *Walsall*, James Beckwith, Charles Janion, Edward Russell; James Miller, Jabez Yardley, Supernumeraries.

218 *Wolverhampton*, George H. Rowe, William R. Rogers, James Osborn.

219 *Dudley*, James Allen, 1st, William Williams, 1st, Richard Sergeant; William Homer, Supernumerary.

220 *Stourbridge*, William Piggott, Jabez Rought, James Parkes.

221 *Stourport*, Joseph Hollis, John Smart; Jacob Stanley, sen., Supernumerary.

222 *Worcester*, Elijah Morgan, Richard Hardy.

223 *Bromsgrove*, John Stirzaker, who shall change on one Sabbath in every six weeks with the Ministers at Redditch.

224 *Evesham*, William Culcheth, Samuel Haigh.

225 *Redditch*, John Walsh, John W. Davies.

226 *Coventry*, James Cheeswright, Robert Cass; Moses Dunn, Supernumerary.

- 227 *Leamington*, William D. Goy, George Curnock.
 228 *Stratford-upon-Avon*, William Way, who shall change on one Sabbath in every month with the Ministers at Leamington.
 229 *Hinckley*, Charles Vibert, John Smithson ; William Stokes, Supernumerary.
 230 *Shrewsbury*, Henry Powis, George Mather.
 231 *Madeley*, James B. Holroyd, James Kendall, 1st, George Hughes, William H. Bakewell.
 232 *Wellington*, William Ricketts, Thomas Jeffery, Thomas Hulme.
 233 *Ludlow*, Francis Barker, Thomas Hughes, 2d ; Humphrey Parsons, Supernumerary.
 234 *Kington*, Joseph T. Wilkinson, John Nelson, 2d.
 JAMES DIXON, D.D., *Chairman of the District*.
 JOHN BEDFORD, *Financial Secretary*.

XVII.—THE MACCLESFIELD DISTRICT.

- 235 *Macclesfield*, Corbett Cooke, Peter C. Horton, Frederick F. Woolley, Joseph Mood.
 N.B. Brother Woolley shall reside at Bollington.
 236 *Buxton*, Thomas A. Rayner, Robert J. T. Hawksley.
 237 *Congleton*, John Raby, Thomas Brookes.
 238 *Namptwich*, Abraham Watmough, William Henley.
 239 *Northwich*, Ebenezer Moulton, John Cannell.
 240 *Burslem*, Barnard Slater, Levi Waterhouse.
 N.B. Brother Waterhouse shall reside at Hanley.
 241 *Tunstall*, Andrew Mackintosh, Charles Rawlings.
 N.B. Brother Rawlings shall reside at Kids Grove.
 242 *Newcastle-under-Lyne*, John D. Carey, William Sugden.
 243 *Longton*, William Chambers, George B. Mellor.
 N.B. Brother Mellor shall reside at Stoke.
 244 *Stafford*, Charles Hawthorne, John Bramwell.
 245 *Leek*, William Wears, William Brailey, John P. Johnson.
 246 *Uttoxeter*, Jonathan Barrowclough, James Emory.
 CORBETT COOKE, *Chairman of the District*.
 PETER C. HORTON, *Financial Secretary*.

XVIII.—THE LIVERPOOL DISTRICT.

- 247 *Liverpool, North*, (*Brunswick Chapel, &c.*,) William W. Stamp, William Illingworth, Samuel R. Hall ; John Davis, William France, John C. Leppington, Supernumeraries.
 248 *Liverpool, South*, (*Pitt-Street, &c.*,) Peter M'Owan, George Roebuck, William H. Taylor, William Willan ; Calverley Riley, Supernumerary.
 249 *Liverpool, Welsh*, (*Benn's Gardens, &c.*,) William Powell, 1st, John Jones, 3d ; Samuel Davies, 1st, Supernumerary.
 250 *Chester*, Charles Cheetham, Joseph Akrill ; Isaac Lilly, John Jones, 2d, Supernumeraries.

- 251 *Mold and Buckley-Mount*, Felix H. Pickworth, who shall change with the Ministers of the Chester Circuit once in every six weeks.
- 252 *Carnarvon and Bangor, (English,)* John Bowman.
Holyhead, George Hagen.
 N.B. Brother Bowman and Brother Hagen shall change on two successive Sundays in each quarter of a year.
- 253 *Wrexham,* Robert Mainwaring, John Eaton.
 N.B. Brother Eaton shall reside at Oswestry.
- 254 *Whitchurch, (Salop,)* Samuel Taylor, John Samuel Jones.
- 255 *Warrington,* Samuel Broadbent, George Dickinson.
- 256 *Runcorn,* Robert M. Willcox, William P. Peck.
 N.B. Brother Peck shall reside at Frodsham.
- 257 *St. Helen's and Prescott,* Robert Totherick, Robert Dyson.
- 258 *Southport and Ormskirk,* James Bartholomew, Henry L. Church ;
 John Phillips, Supernumerary.
 N.B. Brother Church shall reside at Ormskirk.
- 259 *Wigan,* Thomas Moss, James Allen, 3d.
- 260 *Preston and Chorley,* James E. Moulton, William Cattle, Thomas Kent ; Joseph Meek, Supernumerary.
 N.B. Brother Kent shall reside at Chorley.
- 261 *Garstang,* Thomas Burrows, William H. Lewis, William T. Nelson.
 N.B. Brother Lewis shall reside at Fleetwood.
- 262 *Lancaster,* William Coultas, James Faulkner.
- 263 *Newtown,* James Eacott, James Findlay.
- WILLIAM W. STAMP, *Chairman of the District.*
 WILLIAM H. TAYLOR, *Financial Secretary.*

XIX.—THE MANCHESTER AND BOLTON DISTRICT.

- 264 *First Manchester, (Oldham-Street, &c.,)* William Naylor, Samuel Simpson, Thomas Nightingale, William H. Cornforth ; Walter Hussey, Abraham Stead, Supernumeraries.
- 265 *Second Manchester, (Irwell-Street, &c.,)* William Vevers, Jonathan J. Bates, Thomas Capp, John Vanes ; Thomas Slugg, Supernumerary.
- 266 *Third Manchester, (Grosvenor-Street, &c.,)* Robert Newstead, William T. Radcliffe, James D. Brocklehurst.
- 267 *Fourth Manchester, (Bridgewater-Street, &c.,)* William O. Booth, Henry Castle ; William Shelmerdine, Supernumerary.
 (*Welsh,*) Richard Bonner, who shall act under the direction of the Superintendent of the Fourth Manchester Circuit.
- 268 *Fifth Manchester, (Oxford-Road, &c.,)* George Osborn, Frederick J. Jobson, John Kirk, 2d ; Robert Wood, Charles North, Supernumeraries.

- 269 *Altrincham*, William Elton, who shall change on one Sunday in every six weeks with the Ministers of the Fourth Manchester Circuit; William M'Kitrick, Supernumerary.
- 270 *Stockport, North, (Tiviot-Dale, &c.,)* ROBERT NEWTON, D.D., PRESIDENT OF THE CONFERENCE; Jonathan Crowther, Thomas Williams, 1st, John Pearson.
- 271 *Stockport, South, (Hill-Gate, &c.,)* Thomas Rowland, William Parker.
- 272 *New-Mills*, Hugh Beech, Stephen P. Harvard.
- 273 *Glossop*, Thomas Hickson, Hugh Johnson; George Marsden, Supernumerary.
- 274 *Ashton-under-Lyne*, John Boyd, Dixon Naylor, John I. Dredge; Luke Heywood, Supernumerary.
N.B. Brother Naylor shall reside at Hyde.
- 275 *Oldham*, Robert Heys, Joseph Moorhouse; John Heape, Supernumerary.
- 276 *Delph, (Saddleworth,)* William H. Bambridge, who shall change on one Sabbath in every five weeks with the Ministers at Oldham.
- 277 *Bolton*, Daniel Walton, John M'Owan, George Marsland, William H. Sargent.
N.B. Brother Sargent shall reside at Farnworth.
- 278 *Rochdale*, William Jackson, 1st, Samuel Merrill.
- 279 *Burnley*, Thomas Dunn, John Relph, John Clulow.
- 280 *Bury*, William Bond, Thomas O. Keysell.
- 281 *Blackburn*, Benjamin Clayton, William P. Slater.
- 282 *Haslingden*, William Sleigh, John Hearnshaw, Edmond Knaggs.
- 283 *Bacup*, Abel Dernaley, William Exley; Samuel Sugden, Supernumerary.
N.B. Brother Exley shall reside at Longholme, Rawtenstall.
- 284 *Colne*, Thomas Turner, John G. Cox.
- 285 *Clitheroe*, Richard Tabraham, Josiah Pearson.
- 286 *Leigh*, John Shipman.

N.B. Brother Shipman shall change on one Sabbath in every six weeks with the Ministers at Bolton.

ROBERT NEWTON, D.D., PRESIDENT OF THE CONFERENCE, *Chairman of the District.*

JONATHAN CROWTHER, *Financial Secretary.*

XX.—THE HALIFAX AND BRADFORD DISTRICT.

- 287 *Halifax*, George Turner, 1st, Henry H. Chettle, Elijah Jackson, Joseph Millar; Michael Cousin, John W. Barritt, Supernumeraries.
- 288 *Huddersfield, First, (Queen-Street, &c.,)* George B. Macdonald, William R. Williams; George Highfield, Supernumerary.
- 289 *Huddersfield, Second, (Buxton-Road, &c.,)* Francis A. West, Amos Learoyd.

- 290 *Holmfirth*, John Wilson, 1st, John Hanson, Joseph Garrett; Thomas Hill, Supernumerary.
- 291 *Sowerby-Bridge*, Isaac Denison, John Ward, 1st, Joseph Binns.
- 292 *Todmorden*, John Bell, Robert S. Hardy, Thomas Richardson.
- 293 *Denby-Dale*, (*near Huddersfield*,) James Bate, Peter Featherstone.
- 294 *Bradford, West*, (*Kirkgate Chapel, &c.*,) Edward Walker, John Morris; Stephen Wilson, Joseph Pretty, Supernumeraries.
- 295 *Bradford, East*, (*Eastbrook Chapel, &c.*,) Charles Haydon, Nehemiah Curnock, Edward Jones, 2d.
- 296 *Great Horton*, (*near Bradford*,) Adam Fletcher, John Ward, 2d.
- 297 *Keighley*, William Allen, 1st, Henry Richardson, John H. Lord; John Aslin, Supernumerary.
N.B. Brother Richardson shall reside at Haworth.
Letters should be sent to Haworth, near Keighley.
- 298 *Bingley*, Benjamin Frankland, sen., Samuel Allen.
- 299 *Shipley*, Benjamin Gartside, who shall change on one Sabbath in every five weeks with the Ministers at Bingley.
- 300 *Skipton*, Thomas Ballingall, Richard Petch.
- 301 *Addingham*, Peter Wilkinson, Matthew Giles.
- 302 *Grassington*, James Lemmon, who shall change on one Sabbath in every six weeks with the Ministers at Skipton.
- 303 *Settle*, Thomas Kemshall, Andrew Rennard.
FRANCIS A. WEST, *Chairman of the District*.
CHARLES HAYDON, *Financial Secretary*.

XXI.—THE LEEDS DISTRICT.

- 304 *First Leeds*, (*Brunswick Chapel, &c.*,) Joseph Stinson, George Steward, Joseph Lawton; Isaac Turton, John Chettle, John Roadhouse, Supernumeraries.
- 305 *Second Leeds*, (*Oxford-Place Chapel, &c.*,) James Methley, William Barton, Robert Leake, Alexander M'Aulay; John Hodgson, Supernumerary.
- 306 *Third Leeds*, (*St. Peter's Chapel, &c.*,) John P. Haswell, Robert Inglis, Samuel Walker.
- 307 *Fourth Leeds*, (*Wesley Chapel, &c.*,) William Bacon, John Kirk, 1st, Richard Chapman; James Blackett, Supernumerary.
- 308 *Bramley*, (*near Leeds*,) Benjamin Clough, Joshua Hocken, Thomas M. Fitzgerald; Charles Radcliffe, Supernumerary.
N.B. Brother Hocken shall reside at Stanningley.
- 309 *Wakefield*, Joseph Entwisle, Joseph T. Milner, Charles Clay, Cervase Smith.
- 310 *Birstal*, Benjamin Pearce, John P. Sumner, James P. Fairbourn; Hodgson Casson, Supernumerary.
- 311 *Dewsbury*, Richard Heape, William J. Shrewsbury, William Dawson.
N.B. Brother Dawson shall reside at Mirfield.

- 312 *Knaresborough*, Josiah Hudson, John P. Lockwood; Luke Barlow, Supernumerary.
- 313 *Otley*, William Ash, William Winterburn; William Waterhouse, Supernumerary.
- 314 *Pateley-Bridge*, Abraham Crabtree, William Wilson, 4th.
- 315 *Pontefract*, Ralph R. Keeling, Samuel Hooley, John Harding, Calvert Spenseley; John Sedgwick, Thomas Moxon, Joseph Nicholson, Supernumeraries.
N.B. Brother Harding shall reside at Knottingley.
- 316 *Cleckheaton*, John Walker, Jabez Ingham.
N.B. Brother Ingham shall reside at Brighouse.
- 317 *Yeadon*, (near *Leeds*,) William Levell.
- 318 *Woodhouse-Grove*, Charles Taylor, Samuel Atkinson; William Lord, Governor of Woodhouse-Grove School.
N.B. 1. Brother Atkinson shall divide his labours between the Yeadon and Woodhouse-Grove Circuits.
2. Letters to the Superintendent should be directed to Idle, near Bradford; and letters for the School should be directed to Woodhouse-Grove, Apperley-Bridge, near Leeds.
JOHN P. HASWELL, *Chairman of the District*.
JOSEPH STINSON, *Financial Secretary*.

XXII.—THE SHEFFIELD DISTRICT.

- 319 *Sheffield, West*, (*Carver-Street, &c.*,) Robert Jackson, Thomas P. Clark, John Hornby, Daniel West; Samuel D. Waddy, Governor and Chaplain of the Wesleyan Proprietary School.
- 320 *Sheffield, East*, (*Norfolk-Street, &c.*,) Thomas Harris, Richard Felvus, John C. Pengelly, George Maunder.
- 321 *Chesterfield*, Thomas H. Walker, John Talbot.
- 322 *Bakewell*, Robert Harrison, William Jackson, 3d.
- 323 *Bradwell*, Moses Rayner, Joseph Sutton.
- 324 *Rotherham*, William Kelk, Richard Brown, Joshua Priestley, Robert S. Ellis.
N.B. Brother Priestley shall reside at Wath.
- 325 *Doncaster*, Thomas Dickin, James Laycock, William Jessop; Thomas Garbutt, 1st, Supernumerary.
- 326 *Barnsley*, Joseph Raynar, Samuel Simmons.
- 327 *Retford*, Joseph Burgess, John Roberts, 1st, George Hobill.
- 328 *Worksop*, James Brooke, William Harley.

THOMAS HARRIS, *Chairman of the District*.
JOHN C. PENGELLY, *Financial Secretary*.

XXIII.—THE NOTTINGHAM AND DERBY DISTRICT.

- 329 *Nottingham, South*, (*Halifax Chapel, &c.*,) William Bird, Robert Maxwell, John Lambert; Daniel S. Tatham, Supernumerary.
- 330 *Nottingham, North*, (*Wesley Chapel, &c.*,) Samuel Dunn, James Loutit, William Fox, 1st.

- 331 *Ilkestone*, William Dalby, George Buckley.
 332 *Mansfield*, John Hannah, 2d, James Godden.
 333 *Newark*, William B. Stephenson, John Randerson ; John Hickling, Supernumerary.
 334 *Bingham*, Martin Jubb, William Allen, 4th.
 335 *Leicester*, Stephen Kay, John Brandreth ; John Denton, David Deakin, Supernumeraries.
 336 *Melton-Mowbray*, Henry Wilkinson, William H. Robson.
 337 *Oakham*, Timothy R. Moxon, Henry Keet.
 N.B. Brother Keet shall reside at Uppingham.
 338 *Stamford*, Henry Kirkland, Robert Brown.
 339 *Grantham*, John C. George, Thomas Rowe.
 340 *Peterborough*, Thomas M. Rodham, Benjamin N. Haworth, Rupert Chawner.
 341 *Loughborough*, David Cornforth, Thomas Murgay.
 342 *Castle-Donington*, Frederick Slight, George T. Morrison.
 343 *Derby*, William H. Clarkson, Jarvis Cheesman, Samuel Wilkinson, 2d.
 344 *Ashbourne*, Thomas Armson, who shall change once in every month with the Ministers at Derby.
 345 *Belper*, Samuel Fiddian, Henry Hine ; Benjamin Gregory, sen., Supernumerary.
 346 *Ripley, (near Alfreton,)* William Griffith, jun., William Fox, 2d.
 347 *Ashby-de-la-Zouch*, William J. Bullivant, William Swallow.
 348 *Burton-on-Trent*, James Wilson, John B. Dyson.
 349 *Cromford*, John Hague, Joseph Officer.

WILLIAM BIRD, *Chairman of the District.*
 SAMUEL DUNN, *Financial Secretary.*

XXIV.—THE LINCOLN DISTRICT.

- 350 *Lincoln*, George Taylor, Henry Smallwood, Joseph Heaton, Peter Budd.
 351 *Sleaford*, Thomas Cocking, John F. England, Joseph Floyd.
 352 *Market-Raisen*, Thomas Eckersley, Joseph Sykes ; Thomas Padman, Supernumerary.
 353 *Louth*, Alexander Strachan, William H. Rule, John H. Norton, John H. Beech ; James Bumstead, Supernumerary.
 354 *Horncastle*, William Crookes, Thomas S. Wood, Philip Fowler ; Thomas Simmonite, James Hopewell, Supernumeraries.
 355 *Alford*, John Brown, 2d, Nathaniel Alston.
 356 *Spilsby*, Jonathan Cadman, George Oyston.
 357 *Coningsby*, Seth Dixon, who shall change with the Ministers at Boston and Horncastle, once in every six weeks with each Circuit.
 358 *Boston*, John E. Coulson, James P. Dunn.
 359 *Wainfleet*, Ambrose Freeman, David Griffiths.
 360 *Spalding*, Robert Gover, John Weatherstone, Thomas Crosby.
 N.B. Brother Weatherstone shall reside at Holbech.

361 *Bourne*, George Croft, Samuel Wesley.

GEORGE TAYLOR, *Chairman of the District.*
ALEXANDER STRACHAN, *Financial Secretary.*

XXV.—THE HULL DISTRICT.

362 *Hull, West*, (*Waltham-Street, &c.*,) Charles Prest, Henry Bleby, William Jackson, 2d.

363 *Hull, East*, (*George-Yard, &c.*,) Thomas Stead, Thomas Short, Thomas Llewellyn; Francis Derry, Supernumerary.

364 *Beverley*, Samuel Brown, 2d, Thomas Powell; Samuel Crompton, Supernumerary.

365 *Driffeld*, Samuel Wilde, Walter Coates.

366 *Howden*, Isaac Woodcock, Jesse Edgoose.

367 *Patrington*, Benjamin Hudson, Edward King.

368 *Hornsea*, William G. Duncan, Henry J. Booth; John Jones, 1st, Supernumerary.

369 *Grimsby*, Benjamin Firth, Robert Dugdale, William J. Skidmore, George Scott, 2d.

N.B. Brother Scott shall reside at Caistor.

370 *Gainsborough*, Thomas Edwards, Edward Stokes, Ebenezer R. Talbot; Richard Allen, Supernumerary.

371 *Epworth*, Samuel Trueman, Charles Nightingale.

372 *Snaith*, John Bolam, Joseph Kipling, Jacob Morton.

N.B. Brother Morton shall reside at Goole.

373 *Brigg*, Robert Bryant, Robert H. Hare.

374 *Barton*, Samuel Hardey, John M. Joll, Nathan Rouse; John Nowell, 1st, Supernumerary.

375 *Bridlington*, Alexander Hume, William Hales, Edward Abraham.

THOMAS STEAD, *Chairman of the District.*
ISAAC WOODCOCK, *Financial Secretary.*

XXVI.—THE YORK DISTRICT.

376 *York*, Alexander Bell, William Pemberton, John Ryan, 1st, Benjamin B. Waddy; John Burdsall, Anthony Triffit, James Everett, William Carlton, Matthew Mallinson, William Blundell, Supernumeraries.

377 *Tadcaster*, Thomas Eastwood, John Simon.

378 *Pocklington*, Samuel Rowe, Jabez Palmer.

379 *Malton*, John H. Faull, Matthew Cranswick, Thomas Kilner; Daniel Jackson, Supernumerary.

380 *Easingwold*, William Wilkinson, William Drewitt, William Stevinson.

N.B. Brother Stevinson shall reside at Helmsley.

381 *Scarborough*, William Smith, 1st, John Watson, William B. Thorneloe.

382 *Pickering*, Peter Prescott, Edward Horton; Joseph Frank, Supernumerary.

- 383 *Thirsk*, James Catton, John T. Barr, Richard Stepney ;
John Kemp, Supernumerary.
384 *Ripon*, Samuel Healey, James Harris.
385 *Selby*, Robert Day, Matthew Banks, John I. Muff.
ALEXANDER BELL, *Chairman of the District*.
WILLIAM SMITH, 1st, *Financial Secretary*.

XXVII.—THE WHITBY AND DARLINGTON DISTRICT.

- 386 *Whitby*, Leonard Posnet, Thomas Garbutt, 2d, Robert Lewis.
387 *Stokesley*, Joseph Cheesewright, George Greenwood, Richard Martin ; William Rennison, Joseph Hutton, Supernumeraries.
388 *Darlington*, George Jackson, Luke H. Wiseman.
389 *Stockton*, William Binning, Richard Rymer, James Collier.
N.B. Brother Collier shall reside at Hartlepool.
390 *Barnard-Castle*, William Robson, George Russell, Thomas Sheldon.
N.B. Brother Russell shall reside at Barningham.
391 *Bishop-Auckland*, John Willis, Joseph B. Dawson ; John Bumstead, Supernumerary.
392 *Middleham*, John Imisson, Joseph Chapman ; James Fowler, Supernumerary.
393 *Richmond*, James S. Thomas, George Smith, 3d.
394 *Reeth*, John Haigh, Alfred Abbott ; John Rawson, Supernumerary.
395 *Bedale*, Thomas Savage, Joseph Whitehead ; William Shackleton, Supernumerary.
N.B. Brother Whitehead shall reside at Masham.
GEORGE JACKSON, *Chairman of the District*.
WILLIAM ROBSON, *Financial Secretary*.

XXVIII.—THE NEWCASTLE DISTRICT.

- 396 *Newcastle-upon-Tyne*, Henry Davies, John M. Kirk, William Andrews, 1st, John Skidmore ; Francis Neale, Supernumerary.
397 *Gateshead*, Thomas Stokoe, Joseph Mortimer.
398 *North-Shields*, James C. Hindson, Henry Hastling ; Robert Morton, Supernumerary.
399 *Blyth*, John Walters, Alexander T. Weir.
400 *South-Shields*, Robert Cooke, James Roberts.
401 *Sunderland*, Thomas Staton, John M. Pearson, Frederick Griffiths ; Humphrey Stevenson, George Clarke, Supernumeraries.
402 *Houghton-le-Spring*, Christopher Newton, John Wetherell.
403 *Durham*, James Scholes, George Ellidge.
404 *Wolsingham*, William Ingram, William Hirst.
405 *Hexham*, John Nicholson, Thomas M'Cullagh.
406 *Shotley-Bridge*, John Jackson, Thomas Rigby.
407 *Alston*, Henry Dean, John Roberts, 2d.
408 *Allendale-Town*, Samuel Lucas, 2d, Joseph Hirst.

- 409 *Alnwick*, John Luddington.
 410 *Berwick*, Samuel Bowman, who shall change regularly with Brother Luddington.
 411 *Morpeth*, Edmund Oldfield, who shall change on one Sunday in every three weeks with the Ministers of the Blyth Circuit.
 HENRY DAVIES, *Chairman of the District*.
 JOHN M. KIRK, *Financial Secretary*.

XXIX.—THE CARLISLE DISTRICT.

- 412 *Carlisle*, Edward Sumner, William M. Punshon.
 413 *Brampton*, Thomas J. Walker, who shall change on one Sunday in every three weeks with the Ministers at Carlisle.
 414 *Whitehaven*, John Connon, John W. Crankshaw.
 415 *Workington*, Harry Pedley, William L. Horton.
 N.B. Brother Horton shall reside at Cockermouth.
 416 *Appleby*, Alexander Mansie, John Parsons; John Felvus, Supernumerary.
 N.B. Brother Parsons shall reside at Brough.
 417 *Penrith*, Thomas D. Baines, Alfred Lockyer, Robert A. Gent.
 418 *Wigton and Keswick*, Samuel Brocksop, John Elam.
 419 *Kendal*, John Lewis, 1st, Edward Baylis; James Dunbar, William Huddleston, Supernumeraries.
 420 *Ulverstone*, William Parkinson, who shall change on one Sunday in every six weeks with the Ministers at Kendal.
 421 *Dumfries*, William Shearman.
 EDWARD SUMNER, *Chairman of the District*.
 THOMAS D. BAINES, *Financial Secretary*.

XXX.—THE ISLE OF MAN DISTRICT.

- 422 *Douglas and Castletown*, James Rosser, Charles Currelly, Theophilus Talbot.
 423 *Ramsay and Peel*, William Simpson, Myles C. Dixon, Thomas H. Brocklehurst.
 JAMES ROSSER, *Chairman of the District*.

XXXI.—THE EDINBURGH AND ABERDEEN DISTRICT.

- 424 *Edinburgh*, William Horton, Henry Owen, John Hay.
 425 *Dunbar and Haddington*, William Mearns, A.M., who shall change with the Ministers at Edinburgh, under the direction of the Superintendent.
 426 *Glasgow and Paisley*, Roger Moore, William Exton.
Greenock, Benjamin Frankland, jun., B.A., who shall change with the Ministers at Glasgow on one Sunday in every six weeks.
 427 *Airdrie, Stirling, and Doune*, Paul Clarke, Thomas H. Hill, Samuel M'Aulay.
 N.B. The Superintendent shall reside at Stirling, and Brother Hill at Airdrie.
 428 *Ayr*, George Paterson.

- 429 *Aberdeen*, Peter Samuel, David Edgar, Robert Haworth ;
George Douglas, Supernumerary.
430 *Dundee*, Thomas R. Jones.
431 *Perth*, Edward Shelton, who shall change once in every
six weeks with the Minister at Dundee.
432 *Arbroath and Montrose*, John Drake, Lancelot Railton.
N.B. Brother Drake shall reside at Montrose.
433 *Banff*, John Danks.
434 *Inverness*, Edmund B. Warters, who shall change with the
Minister at Banff on two Sundays in every six
months.

WILLIAM HORTON, *Chairman of the District*.

ROGER MOORE, *Financial Secretary*.

XXXII.—THE SHETLAND ISLES DISTRICT.

- 435 *Lerwick*, James Kendall, 2d, Daniel Farquhar, Thomas T.
Dilks, William Foster.
N.B. Brother Farquhar shall reside at Dunrossness,
and Brother Dilks in the Island of Whalsay.
436 *Walls*, Thompson Hesk.
437 *Northmavin and Delting*, Nicholas C. Pridham.
438 *North Isles*, William Parsonson ; William Langridge, Super-
numerary.
N.B. Brother Parsonson shall reside in the
Island of Unst.
JAMES KENDALL, 2d, *Chairman of the District*.

IRELAND.

I.—THE DUBLIN DISTRICT.

- 1 *Dublin, South*, (*Centenary Chapel, &c.*,) William Stewart, William
P. Appelbe, LL.D., Gibson M'Millen ; Robinson
Scott, Governor and Chaplain of the Wesleyan
Connexional School ; William Ferguson, Charles
M'Cormick, John Waugh, and Thomas Beamish,
Supernumeraries.
2 *Dublin, North*, (*Abbey-Street Chapel, &c.*,) William Reilly, George
Vance, Frederick Stephens ; Henry Deery,
Supernumerary.
3 *Kingstown*, Robert Masaroon ; George M'Elwain, Super-
numerary.
N.B. Brother Masaroon shall change once in three
weeks with the Preachers of the Dublin South
Circuit.
4 *Drogheda*, William Cather, Robert G. Cather, A.M. ; Michael
Burrows, who is to reside in Dundalk, Patrick
Ffrench, Supernumeraries.
5 *Wicklow*, Robert Hamilton, William Lough.
N.B. Letters should be directed to Rathdrum.
WILLIAM STEWART, *Chairman of the District*.

II.—THE WATERFORD DISTRICT.

- 6 *Waterford*, John F. Mathews, Robert G. Jones.
 7 *Carlow*, John Holmes, Richard Maxwell; Robert Banks,
 Supernumerary.
 8 *Newtownbarry*, Robert Bamford, William Christie.
 9 *Wexford*, Henry J. Giles, James Keys; James Rutledge,
 who resides in New-Ross, and James C. Pratt,
 Supernumeraries.
 JOHN F. MATHEWS, *Chairman of the District*.

III.—THE CORK DISTRICT.

- 10 *Cork*, Henry Price, Frederick P. Le Maitre; Joshua
 Harman, James B. Gillman, Supernumeraries.
 11 *Cove*, John Saul.
 12 *Bandon*, John Greer, John Duncan, Thomas Waugh.
 13 *Skibbereen*, James Patterson, Thomas W. Baker.
 14 *Tralee*, John Hughes.
 THOMAS WAUGH, *Chairman of the District*.

IV.—THE LIMERICK DISTRICT.

- 15 *Limerick*, John Nelson, Thomas Hickey.
 16 *Roscrea*, Robert Bruce, James S. Waugh.
 17 *Cloughjordan*, John Donald; John Rogers, Supernumerary.
 N.B. Letters for Brother Donald should be
 directed to Borrisokane.
 JOHN NELSON, *Chairman of the District*.

V.—THE TULLAMORE DISTRICT.

- 18 *Tullamore*, John Hill, William G. Campbell; Thomas
 Loughed, Supernumerary.
 19 *Athlone*, William Burnside.
 20 *Maryborough*, William Crook, William Crook, jun.
 21 *Longford*, William Mulloy, Robert J. Meyer; William Keys,
 Supernumerary.
 WILLIAM CROOK, *Chairman of the District*.

VI.—THE SLIGO DISTRICT.

- 22 *Sligo*, William Lupton, Alexander Twiss.
 23 *Castlebar*, John H. Atkins, James Kernahan.
 24 *Ballina*, James Murdock, Robert Campbell.
 25 *Boyle*, Samuel Cowdy.
 WILLIAM LUPTON, *Chairman of the District*.

VII.—THE CLONES DISTRICT.

- 26 *Clones*, Samuel Downing, James Bass.
 27 *Cootehill*, Wallace M'Mullen, Edward Johnston, 2d.
 28 *Killesandra*, John Jebb, John Hiram Robinson.
 29 *Castleblaney and Monaghan*, William Brown, Edward Best.
 30 *Aughnacloy*, James Hughes.
 JAMES HUGHES, *Chairman of the District*.

VIII.—THE ENNISKILLEN DISTRICT.

- 31 *Enniskillen*, Robert Huston, Robert Bell; Robert Crozier, John Nesbitt, Supernumeraries.
 32 *Brookborough*, John Armstrong, Charles L. Grant.
 33 *Manorhamilton*, Nathaniel Hobart, John H. Boyd.
 34 *Lowtherstown*, James Black, James Collier; William Douglas, Supernumerary.
 35 *Ballyshannon and Pettigo*, John Oliver, William B. Lebert; Samuel Kyle, John C. Irvine, Supernumeraries.

JOHN ARMSTRONG, *Chairman of the District.*

IX.—THE LONDONDERRY DISTRICT.

- 36 *Londonderry*, John Carey, Colin M'Kay.
 37 *Strabane*, Robert H. Lindsay, John Hazleton; William Finley, Andrew Huston, Supernumeraries.
 38 *Omagh*, John C. Storey, James M'Clintock; James M'Cutchan, Arthur Noble, Robert Carson, Supernumeraries.

JOHN CAREY, *Chairman of the District.*

X.—THE BELFAST DISTRICT.

- 39 *Belfast, South*, (*Donegal-Square Chapel, &c.*,) John Williams, Robert Wallace; Matthew Lanktree, James Johnston, John Campbell, Supernumeraries.
 40 *Belfast, North*, (*Frederick-Street Chapel, &c.*,) Daniel M'Afee, Anketell M. Henderson; Thomas Ridgeway, Edward Johnston, 1st, Supernumeraries.
 41 *Ballyclare*, Robert Hewitt.
 42 *Donaghadee*, Thomas Ballard, John Higgins, who is to reside in Newtownards; Samuel M'Dowell, Supernumerary, who is to reside at Kirkcubbin.
 43 *Carrickfergus*, James Tobias, Edward Cobain,
 44 *Coleraine*, Joseph W. M'Kay, James Hutcheson.
 45 *Magherafelt*, John Foster, Joseph Johnston.
 46 *Lisburn*, William Hoey, 1st, Thomas K. Whitaker; William Armstrong, Supernumerary.
 47 *Downpatrick*, William M'Garvey, Mortlock Long.

DANIEL M'AFEE, *Chairman of the District.*

XI.—THE NEWRY DISTRICT.

- 48 *Newry*, Richard T. Tracy, William Butler.
 49 *Dungannon*, William Hoey, 2d, John Dwyer; Archibald Murdock, Edward Hazleton, who resides in Moy, Supernumeraries.
 50 *Armagh*, Thomas Meredith, George Magee.
 51 *Lurgan*, Robert Beauchamp, Hugh Moore.
 52 *Moir and Dromore*, Benjamin Bayly, who resides in Moira, Robert A. Devers.

- 53 *Tandragee*, George Burrows, John Bagley; William Foote,
Supernumerary.
54 *Portadown*, John Nash, George Chambers.
RICHARD T. TRACY, *Chairman of the District.*

IRISH AND FOREIGN MISSIONS.

I. EUROPE.

IRELAND.

- 1 *Lucan and Trim*, John Feely, Samuel Johnston.
- 2 *Kilkenny*, John Walker, H. M. Beale, A.B.
- 3 *Tipperary*, Samuel Ferguson.
- 4 *Youghal*, Edward M. Banks.
- 5 *Fermoy and Mallow*, John Liddy.
- 6 *Kinsale*, Frederick Elliott.
- 7 *Berehaven-Mines*, Francis Morrow.
- 8 *Dingle*, John Gilbert.
- 9 *Ballinasloe*, James Sullivan.
- 10 *Killaloe*, Henry Geddes; John Harrington, Supernumerary.
- 11 *Kilrush*, Francis Stephens.
- 12 *Galway*, James Henry.
- 13 *Tuam*, William Cornwall.
- 14 *Belmullet and Erris*, Thomas M'Lorinan.
- 15 *Cavan*, Jeremiah Wilson, James Carey.
- 16 *Donegal*, William Guard, Thomas Foster.
- 17 *Rathmelton, Letterkenny, and Stranorlar*, James Donald.
- 18 *Newtownlimavady*, Edward Harpur.
- 19 *Ballymena*, Robert Black.

FRANCE AND SWITZERLAND.

- 20 *Paris*, Charles Cook, William Arthur, John L. Rostan.
- 21 *Bar-le-Duc*, Philip le Bas.
- 22 *Calais*, Philip Guiton.
- 23 *Boulogne*, Charles W. Cleeve, B.A.
- 24 *Caen, Le Bocage, &c.*, Peter Lucas, Charles C. de Boinville, who
shall reside at Lisieux.
- 25 *Nîmes, Anduze, La Vaunage, and La Gardonnègue*, Henry de
Jersey, Louis Martin, William J. Handcock,
Luke Pulsford; Peter Roy, Assistant Missionary.
- 26 *Ganges, &c., (Les Cévennes, West,)* Henry Martin; John le Lievre,
Assistant Missionary.
- 27 *Nyons, &c., (Drôme and Upper Alps,)* Francis Farjat, Peter
Massot, Philip Neel, William Ogier.
- 28 *Lausanne and Aigle, (Switzerland,)* Matthew Gallienne; Gideon
Jaulmes, Assistant Missionary.

CHARLES COOK, *Chairman of the District, and General Superin-
tendent of the Missions in France and Switzerland.*

MEDITERRANEAN MISSIONS.

- 29 *Gibraltar*, Thomas Dove, George Alton.

II. ASIA.

C E Y L O N .

I.—THE SINGHALESE DISTRICT.

(SOUTH.)

- 30 *First Colombo*, Daniel J. Gogerly, Andrew Kessen, LL.D., who is Rector of the Native Normal Institution, under the Central-School Commission appointed by the Ceylon Government; David de Silva, Native Minister.
- 31 *Second Colombo*, John A. Poulier, Native Minister.
- 32 *Negombo and Rillegalle*, Daniel D. Pereira, Native Minister.
- 33 *Seedua*, D. L. A. Bartholomeuz, Native Minister.
- 34 *Galkisse*, Cornelius Wijesingha, Native Minister.
- 35 *Morotto*, P. G. de Zylva, Native Minister.
- 36 *Pantura*, John R. Parys, Native Minister.
- N.B. The *Second Colombo*, *Negombo*, *Seedua*, *Galkisse*, *Morotto*, and *Pantura* Stations shall be under the care of the Superintendent of the First Colombo Circuit.
- 37 *Caltura*, W. H. A. Dickson; W. A. Lalmon, Native Minister.
- 38 *Galle, Amblangodde, and Belligam*, William Bridgnell.
- 39 *Matura, Dondra, and Goddapitiya*, C. de Hoedt, Native Minister.
- N.B. The *Matura*, *Dondra*, and *Goddapitiya* Stations shall be under the care of the Galle Superintendent.

DANIEL J. GOGERLY, *Chairman of the District, and General Superintendent of the Missions in South Ceylon.*

II.—THE TAMUL DISTRICT.

(NORTH.)

- 40 *Jaffna, Wannerponne, Puttoor, and Cattavelley*, Peter Percival, Edward J. Robinson.
- 41 *Point-Pedro*, John E. S. Williams.
- 42 *Trincomalee*, John Walton.
- 43 *Batticaloa, First, (Puleanteevo)*, James Gillings; John Philips, Native Minister.
- 44 *Batticaloa, Second, (Caravaoor)*, John Kilner.

PETER PERCIVAL, *Chairman of the District, and General Superintendent of the Missions in North Ceylon.*

CONTINENTAL INDIA.

I.—THE MADRAS DISTRICT.

- 45 *Madras*, Joseph Roberts, 2d, Thomas Haswell, Ebenezer E. Jenkins.
- 46 *Negapatam and Tranquebar*, Thomas Cryer, Joseph Little; A. D. Ponniah, Assistant Missionary.

- 47 *Manargoody and Trichinopoly*, Peter Batchelor, John Pinkney ;
S. Davasagayam, Assistant Missionary.

JOSEPH ROBERTS, 2d, *Chairman and General Superintendent of the Madras District.*

II.—THE MYSORE DISTRICT.

- 48 *Bangalore*, Thomas Hodson, John Garrett; Arthur Taylor,
Assistant Missionary.
49 *Bangalore, (Tamul,)* Richard D. Griffith.
50 *Mysore*, Daniel Sanderson, Thomas B. Glanville, Philip
Webber.
51 *Goobbee and Toomkoor*, Benjamin Field, James M. Cranswick ;
Henry O. Sullivan, Assistant Missionary.
52 *Coonghul*, Edward J. Hardey, Joseph Morris.
THOMAS HODSON, *Chairman and General Superintendent of the
Mysore District.*

MISSIONS IN AUSTRALASIA AND POLYNESIA.

I.—THE AUSTRALIA AND VAN-DIEMEN'S LAND DISTRICT.

NEW SOUTH WALES.

- 53 *Sydney*, William B. Boyce, General Superintendent.
54 *North*, Nathaniel Turner, Thomas B. Harris ; George
Poole, Supernumerary.
55 *South*, Frederick Lewis.
56 *Paramatta*, Jonathan Innes.
57 *Windsor*, William Schofield ; John Harcourt, Assistant
Missionary.
58 *Bathurst*, Benjamin Hurst.
59 *Hunter's-River*, Samuel Wilkinson, 1st.
60 *Camden and Wollongong*, Benjamin Chapman.
61 *Goulburn*, William Lightbody, Assistant Missionary.
62 *Port-Macquarie*, One is requested.
63 *Moreton-Bay*, One is requested.

AUSTRALIA FELIX.

- 64 *Melbourne*, William Butters.
65 *Geelong and Bunting-Dale*, Francis Tuckfield.
66 *Portland and Port-Fairy*, One is requested.
67 *Gipps'-Land*, One is requested.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

- 68 *Adelaide*, Daniel J. Draper ; William Longbottom, Super-
numerary.
69 *Willunga*, William Lowe, Assistant Missionary.
70 *North-Mines*, John C. Thrum, Assistant Missionary.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA.

- 71 *Swan-River*, John Smithies.

VAN-DIEMEN'S LAND.

- 72 *Hobart-Town and New-Norfolk*, John Eggleston, Jabez B.
Waterhouse.
73 *Ross, &c.*, John A. Manton.

74 *Launceston*, Edward Sweetman, Henry H. Gaud.

75 *Oatlands*, One wanted.

WILLIAM B. BOYCE, *Chairman of the District, and General Superintendent of the Australia and Van-Diemen's Land Missions.*

JOHN EGGLESTON, *Deputy-Chairman of the Van-Diemen's Land Section of the District.*

II.—THE NEW-ZEALAND DISTRICT.

NORTHERN SECTION.

76 *Auckland*, Walter Lawry, General Superintendent; Thomas Buddle; George Stannard, Assistant Missionary.

77 *Pehiakura*, Henry H. Lawry.

78 *Mangungu and Wangaroa*, John Hobbs.

79 *Waima and Newark*, John Warren, William Kirk.

80 *Wairoa, (Kaipara,)* James Buller.

MIDDLE SECTION.

81 *Kawhia, Beecham-Dale, (Aotea,) Wakatumutumu, and Mokaui*, John Whiteley, Gideon Smales.

82 *New-Plymouth, (Taranaki, North,)* Henry H. Turton.

83 *Waingaroa and Waipa*, James Wallis, George Buttle.

SOUTHERN SECTION.

84 *Waimate and Patea*, William Woon.

85 *Port-Nicholson, Cloudy-Bay, and Kapiti*, James Watkin, Samuel Ironside.

86 *Nelson, (Middle Island,)* John Aldred.

87 *Waikowaiti, near Otago, (Middle Island,)* Charles Creed.

WALTER LAWRY, *Chairman of the District, and General Superintendent of the Missions in New-Zealand, and Visiter of the Missions in the Friendly Islands.*

JOHN HOBBS, *Deputy-Chairman of the Northern Section of the New-Zealand District*; JOHN WHITELEY, *Deputy-Chairman of the Middle Section*; and JAMES WATKIN, *Deputy-Chairman of the Southern Section.*

III.—THE FRIENDLY ISLANDS DISTRICT.

88 *Tongatabu*, John Thomas, 1st, William Webb, 2d, George Daniel, George Miller, 2d.

89 *Habai*, Peter Turner, Matthew Wilson.

90 *Vavau*, Stephen Rabone, Thomas Adams, Thomas West.

91 *Niua-Tabutabu*, Benjamin Latuselu, Native Assistant Missionary.
N.B. *Niua-fo-ou, Inui, or Savage Island, and Uvea, or Wallis's Island*, are chiefly under the care of Native Teachers. English Missionaries are earnestly requested.

JOHN THOMAS, 1st, *Chairman of the District.*

IV.—THE FEEJEE DISTRICT.

92 *Lakemba*, James Calvert, David Hazlewood; John Malvern, Assistant Missionary.

N.B. David Hazlewood shall reside at Ono.

- 93 *Viva and Bau*, John Hunt, Richard B. Lyth, Thomas J. Jaggar.
 94 *Bua*, Thomas Williams, 2d.
 95 *Nandy*, John Watsford, James Ford.

N.B. *Lomaloma, Oneata, Ovalau, Nokoratumba,*
 and *Rotumah*, are chiefly under the care of Native
 Teachers.

JOHN HUNT, *Chairman of the District.*

III. AFRICA.

SOUTHERN AFRICA.

I.—THE CAPE OF GOOD HOPE DISTRICT.

- 96 *Cape-Town and Rondebosch*, Thomas L. Hodgson, Benjamin
 Ridsdale, Richard Ridgill.
 97 *Wynberg, Simon's-Town, &c.*, Matthew Godman. One wanted.
 98 *Stellenbosch, and Brackenbury's Valley*, Barnabas Shaw, Edward
 Edwards.
 99 *Khamies-Berg, (Little Namaqualand,)* Joseph Jackson.
 100 *Nisbett-Bath, (Great Namaqualand,)* John A. Bailie, Assistant
 Missionary.
 101 *Concordiaville, (Damaraland,)* Richard Haddy.
 102 *Elephant-Fountain, (Damaraland,)* Joseph Tindall, Assistant
 Missionary.
 103 *Roode-Volk, (Damaraland,)* One requested.
 104 *George-Town.* One wanted.

THOMAS L. HODGSON, *Chairman of the District, and General
 Superintendent of the Missions in the Cape of Good Hope
 District.*

II.—THE ALBANY AND KAFFRARIA DISTRICT.

COLONIAL CIRCUITS.

- 105 *Graham's-Town*, William Shaw, 1st, General Superintendent;
 Horatio Pearse, George Smith, 2d.
 106 *Salem and Farmerfield*, One to be sent.
 107 *Bathurst and Lower Albany*, John Smith, 3d.
 108 *Fort-Beaufort and Upper Albany*, John Ayliff. One to be sent.
 109 *Port-Elizabeth and Uitenhage*, One to be sent.
 110 *Cradock*, George H. Green.
 111 *Somerset and Graaf-Reinett*, John Edwards. One requested.
 112 *Zuurberg*, C. V. D. Van Soelen, Assistant Missionary.
 113 *D'Urban, (Fingo Mission,)* Henry H. Dugmore. One to be sent.
 114 *Newton-Dale and Waterloo-Bay, (Fingo Mission,)* One to be
 sent.

N.B. The Ministers of the Colonial Circuits are to
 change regularly under the direction of the
 General Superintendent.

BRITISH KAFFRARIA.

- 115 *Wesleyville and East London*, John W. Appleyard.

- 116 *Mount-Coke and King William's Town*, William Impey, John Wilson, 2d.
 117 *Kamastone*, (near *Buffalo's Vleij*,) William Shepstone. One requested.

KAFFRARIA PROPER.

1. AMAXOSA.

- 118 *Butterworth*, Francis P. Gladwin.
 119 *Beecham-Wood*, One to be sent.

2. ABATEMBU.

- 120 *Haslope-Hills and Glovukazi*, &c., Joseph C. Warner.
 121 *Imvani*, Under the care of the General Superintendent.
 122 *Clarkebury*, William H. Garner.
 123 *Morley*, J. Stewart Thomas.

3. AMAMPONDO.

- 124 *Buntingville*, William Sargeant.
 125 *Shawbury*, One to be sent ; James Archbell, Supernumerary.
 126 *Palmerton*, (*Faku's Tribe*,) Thomas Jenkins.

PORT-NATAL AND AMAZULU.

- 127 *D'Urban*, William C. Holden.
 128 *Pieter-Mauritz Berg*, John Richards, 2d.
 129 *Kwangubeni*, (*Zwaarkops*,) William J. Davis.
 130 *Umzimkulu*, James Allison.

N.B. On all the Stations in Kaffraria the Brethren shall change on the Sunday, each with the nearest to him, once at least in every quarter of the year.

WILLIAM SHAW, *Chairman of the District, and General Superintendent of the Wesleyan Missions in South-Eastern Africa.*

WILLIAM J. DAVIS, *Deputy-Chairman of the Natal Section of the District.*

III.—THE BECHUANA DISTRICT.

- 131 *Thaba-Unchu*, (*Baralongs*,) *Lokualo*, (*Ligoia*,) James Cameron.
 132 *Plaatberg*, (*Newlanders and Basutos*,) Richard Giddy.
 133 *Mirametsu*, (*Korannas*,) Under the superintendence of the Missionary at *Plaatberg*.
 134 *Lishuani*, (*Basutos and Griquas*,) Under the care of the Chairman of the District.
 135 *Umpukani*, (*Basutos*,) Gottlob Schreiner, Assistant Missionary.
 136 *Imparani*, *Sexumelo*, *Moteng*, (*Mantatees*,) Jeremiah Hartley.
 137 *Colesberg*, Purdon Smailes.
 138 *Bakolokua*, Johannes Petrus Bertram, Assistant Missionary.
 139 *Bakuakua*, One earnestly requested.
 140 *Baraputsa Country*, Native Teachers.

N.B. On all the Stations in the District the Brethren shall change on the Sunday, each with the nearest to him, once at least in every quarter of the year.

JAMES CAMERON, *Chairman of the District.*

WESTERN AFRICA.

I.—SIERRA-LEONE.

- 141 *Free-Town, &c.*, Thomas Raston, Thomas Purslow; Charles Knight, Joseph Wright, Native Missionaries.
 142 *Hastings, Wellington, &c.*, Richard Hart. One earnestly requested.
 143 *York, &c.*, John Lewis, 2d.
 THOMAS RASTON, *General Superintendent of the Wesleyan Missions at Sierra-Leone.*

II.—THE GAMBIA.

- 144 *St. Mary's and Barra-Point*, Henry Badger, George Parsonson; John Gum, Native Assistant Missionary.
 145 *Ngabantang*, Vacant.
 146 *M'Carthy's Island*, George Meadows.
 HENRY BADGER, *General Superintendent of the Gambia Missions.*

III.—THE GOLD-COAST, ASHANTI, AND OTHER PARTS OF GUINEA.

- 147 *Cape-Coast Town, Commenda, Dixcove, &c.*, Thomas B. Freeman, William Allen, 3d; John Hagan, Native Assistant Missionary.
 148 *Anamabu, Salt-Pond, Winnebah, &c.*, Henry Wharton.
 149 *Domonasi, Abassa, Mansu, Akroful, Ejimakun, and Donasi*, John Harrop.
 150 *British Akrah*, Edward Addison.
 151 *Ashanti*, Charles Hillard; John A. Martin, Native Assistant Missionary.
 152 *Badagry and Abbeokuta*, John Thomas, 3d.
 THOMAS B. FREEMAN, *General Superintendent of the Wesleyan Missions in Guinea.*

IV. AMERICA.

WEST INDIES.

I.—THE ANTIGUA DISTRICT.

- 153 *Antigua*, James Cox, William Satchell, Thomas James, George Sargeant.
 154 *Dominica*, William Fidler, Joshua Jordan.
 155 *Montserrat*, Thomas Pearson, 3d.
 156 *Nevis*, John Horsford, George Blanchflower.
 157 *St. Christopher's*, Robert Hawkins, James Aldis, Samuel Simons, Samuel Smyth.
 158 *St. Eustatius and St. Bartholomew's*, James Horne.
 159 *St. Martin's and Anguilla*, Benjamin Tregaskis; John Hodge, Supernumerary.
 160 *Tortola*, William T. Waymouth; Thomas M. Chambers, Assistant Missionary.
 N.B. John Parkes is returning home.
 JAMES COX, *Chairman of the District, and General Superintendent of the Missions in the Antigua District.*

II.—THE ST. VINCENT'S AND DEMERARA DISTRICT.

- 161 *St. Vincent's, Kingstown*, William Bannister, William L. Binks, Samuel Brown, 3d, Thomas Butcher.
 162 *St. Vincent's, Biabou*, William Hudson, William Cleaver, Richard Wrench. One requested.
 163 *Grenada*, Henry Hurd.
 164 *Trinidad*, Henry Padgham; W. F. Turtle, Assistant Missionary.
 165 *Tobago*, Francis Whitehead.
 166 *Demerara, George-Town*, James Bickford, David Barley, James M'Bryon.
 167 *Demerara, Arabian Coast*, Joseph Biggs.
 168 *Demerara, Mahaica*, William Limmex.
 169 *Demerara, Victoria*, William Heath. One wanted.
 170 *Barbadoes*, John Corlett, George Ranyell, James Banfield.

WILLIAM BANNISTER, *Chairman of the District, and General Superintendent of the Missions in the St. Vincent's and Demerara District.*

III.—THE JAMAICA DISTRICT.

- 171 *Kingston*, Jonathan Edmondson, General Superintendent; James Walton, William West, Robert A. Johnson, Samuel Burrell, William Tyson.
 172 *Montego-Bay and Lucea*, William Moss, William G. Stedman.
 173 *Spanish-Town*, John G. Manly, George Smith, 4th.
 174 *Morant-Bay*, Edward Fraser.
 175 *Grateful-Hill and Stoney-Hill*, George Savery.
 176 *Falmouth*, David Kerr.
 177 *St. Ann's-Bay*, Edward S. Thompson.
 178 *Ocho-Rios*, William Sinclair.
 179 *Beechamville and Watsonville*, Martin Young, Edmund Lockyer.
 180 *Bath and Manchioneal*, Henry B. Britten, Alexander Foote.
 181 *Port-Antonio*, George Millsom.
 182 *Guy's-Hill*, John Mearns.
 183 *Clarendon*, James Rowden; John Vaz, Assistant Missionary.
 184 *Savannah-la-Mar, Mount-Ward, and Black-River*, Edwin Blake, Herbert W. Haime.
 185 *Brown's-Town*, Timothy Curtis.
 186 *Duncan's*, Henry B. Foster.
 187 *Yallahs and Bethesda*, William Hodgson.
 188 *Mount-Fletcher*, Richard Hornabrook.
 189 *Port-Morant*, James Atkins, Thomas Phelps.
 190 *Linstead*, Herbert Carter.
 191 *Belize and Charibb-Town, (Honduras-Bay,)* Joseph Webster, Edward Collier.

JONATHAN EDMONDSON, *Chairman of the District, and General Superintendent of the Missions and Schools in Jamaica.*

IV.—THE BAHAMA DISTRICT.

- 192 *New-Providence*, Isaac Whitehouse; William Williams, 3d, Assistant Missionary.

- 193 *Eleuthera, First, (Rock-Sound, &c.,)* A. J. Thompson, Assistant Missionary.
 194 *Eleuthera, Second, (Governor's Harbour, &c.,)* John B. Selley.
 195 *Harbour-Island,* Thomas Lofthouse.
 196 *Abaco, (Green-Turtle-Bay,)* Samuel Annear.
 197 *Turk's-Island,* Thomas Pearson, 2d.
 198 *Bermuda, (Hamilton, &c.,)* William Ritchie; Thomas H. Smith, Supernumerary.
 199 *Bermuda, (St. George's, &c.,)* John B. Brownell.

ISAAC WHITEHOUSE, *Chairman of the District, and General Superintendent of the Missions in the Bahama and Bermuda Islands.*

V.—THE HAYTI DISTRICT.

- 200 *Port-Republicain,* Mark B. Bird.
 201 *Port-au-Plaat and Samana,* William Towler.
 202 *Jérémie,* William T. Cardy.
 203 *Cape-Haytien and Gonaïves,* James T. Hartwell.
 204 *Cayes,* St. Denis Bauduy.

MARK B. BIRD, *Chairman of the District, and General Superintendent of the Hayti Missions.*

THE BRITISH DOMINIONS IN NORTH AMERICA.

I.—MISSIONS IN CANADA, WEST.

- 205 *Alderville,* William Case, whose special attention will be directed to the Industrial Schools; William Ames.
 206 *Rice and Mud Lakes,* John Sunday, Robert Brooking.
 207 *Beausoliel Island and French-River,* William Herkimer.
 208 *Owen's Sound and Arthur's,* James Hutchinson; John Neelands, Supernumerary.
 209 *Schoogog,* William Steer.
 210 *Grand-River,* Rowley Heyland, Ozias Barber.
 211 *Muncey,* Peter Jones, whose attention will be specially directed to the Industrial Schools; Abraham W. Sickles.
 212 *Sarnia and St. Clair,* Nathan G. Axtell.
 213 *Saugeeng,* John K. Williston.
 214 *Simcoe,* James Booth.

ENOCH WOOD, *General Superintendent of Missions in Western Canada.*

II.—CANADA: EASTERN DISTRICT.

- 215 *Montreal,* John Jenkins, Charles de Wolfe, Lachlin Taylor; Robert L. Lusher, Supernumerary.
 216 *Quebec,* John C. Davidson, Charles Churchill.
 217 *Three-Rivers,* Hugh Montgomery.

- 218 *Wesleyville*, One wanted.
- 219 *St. John's and Chambly*, Henry Lanton, Giffard Dorey.
- 220 *Huntingdon and Russeltown*, James Brock. One wanted.
- 221 *Odell-Town and Hemingford*, Matthew Lang, John Douglas.
- 222 *Clarenceville*, Edmund S. Ingalls.
- 223 *St. Armand*, William Scott.
- 224 *Dunham*, John Tomkins.
- 225 *Shefford*, Malcolm M'Donald.
- 226 *Stanstead*, John Borland.
- 227 *Compton and Hatley*, Thomas Campbell.
- 228 *Sherbrooke*, Henry Cox.
- 229 *Melbourne and Danville*, Benjamin Slight.
- 230 *New-Ireland*, Rufus A. Flanders.

MATTHEW LANG, *Chairman of the District, and General Superintendent.*

III.—THE NOVA-SCOTIA DISTRICT.

- 231 *Halifax*, Ephraim Evans, Frederick Smallwood, William M'Carty; William Bennett, Supernumerary.
- 232 *Lunenburg*, Henry Pope, 1st.
- 233 *Liverpool and Mill's-Village*, William Wilson, 1st. One wanted.
- 234 *Barrington*, Wesley C. Beals.
- 235 *Shelburne and Little-Harbour*, Richard Weddall.
- 236 *Yarmouth*, John M'Murray.
- 237 *Horton and Cornwallis*, Alexander W. M'Leod, Richard Smith.
- 238 *Windsor*, William Croscombe.
- 239 *Newport and Shubenacadie*, John Marshall, Robert E. Cranc.
- 240 *Truro and River-John*, James Narraway.
- 241 *Amherst*, Thomas H. Davies.
- 242 *Meccan and Parrsborough*, George O. Huestis.
- 243 *Wallace*, Rowland Morton.
- 244 *River-Philip*, One wanted.
- 245 *Guysborough*, James Buckley.

CAPE-BRETON.

- 246 *Sydney*, Jeremiah V. Jost.
- 247 *Ship-Harbour*, One wanted.

PRINCE EDWARD'S ISLAND.

- 248 *Charlotte-Town*, Edmund Botterell, Henry Pope, 2d.
- 249 *Bedeque*, John B. Strong.
- 250 *Tryon and Crapaud*, One wanted.
- 251 *Murray-Harbour*, One wanted.

EPHRAIM EVANS, *Chairman of the District, and General Superintendent.*

IV.—THE NEW-BRUNSWICK DISTRICT.

- 252 *St. John, South, (Germain-Street, &c.,)* Richard Knight, Robert Cooney. One requested.

- 253 *St. John, North, (Portland-Street,)* Sampson Busby.
 254 *St. John, West, (Carlton,) and Long-Reach,* William Smith, 2d.
 One requested.
 255 *Fredericton,* William Temple. One requested.
 256 *Nashwaak,* One requested.
 257 *Sheffield, &c.,* Arthur M'Nutt,
 258 *Mill-Town,* Ingham Sutcliffe.
 259 *St. Stephen's and St. David's,* George M. Barratt.
 260 *St. Andrew's,* Henry Daniel.
 261 *Sackville,* James G. Hennigar.
 262 *Point-de-Bute,* William Smithson.
 263 *Petitcodiac,* Robert A. Chesley.
 264 *Hopewell,* William Allen, 2d.
 265 *Sussex-Vale,* Joseph F. Bent.
 266 *Woodstock and Andover,* John Allison, James Taylor, 2d.
 267 *Annapolis,* Michael Pickles.
 268 *Bridge-Town,* George Miller.
 269 *Aylesford,* Richard Shepherd.
 270 *Digby and Sissiboo,* One wanted. Stephen Bamford, Supernu-
 merary.
 271 *Miramichi,* George Johnson.
 272 *Richibucto,* John Prince.
 273 *Bathurst,* Christopher Lockhart.
 274 *Dalhousie,* One earnestly requested.
 275 *Wesleyan Academy, Mount-Allison, Westmoreland,* Humphrey
 Pickard, A.M., Principal; Albert Desbrisay,
 Supernumerary, Chaplain.

RICHARD KNIGHT, *Chairman of the District, and General Super-
 intendent.*

V.—THE NEWFOUNDLAND DISTRICT.

- 276 *St. John's,* William Faulkner. One to be sent.
 277 *Harbour-Grace,* Richard Williams.
 278 *Carbonear,* James Norris.
 279 *Blackhead,* Thomas Angwin.
 280 *Island-Cove,* John S. Addy.
 281 *Perlican,* James England.
 282 *Port-de-Grave,* Samuel W. Sprague.
 283 *Brigus,* John Snowball.
 284 *Bonavista,* Adam Nightingale.
 285 *Burin,* John Brewster.
 286 *Grand-Bank,* William E. Shenstone.
 287 *Hermitage-Cove,* One wanted.
 288 *Trinity-Bay,* One wanted.
 289 *Green-Bay,* John S. Peach.
 290 *Hant's-Harbour,* One wanted.

RICHARD WILLIAMS, *Chairman of the District, and General
 Superintendent.*

TERRITORIES OF THE HUDSON'S-BAY COMPANY.

- 291 *Norway-House, Lake-Winnipeg*, William Mason.
 292 *Moose-Factory*, One wanted.
 293 *Lac-la-Pluie and Fort-Alexander*, Peter Jacobs, Assistant Missionary.
 294 *Edmonton and Rocky-Mountains*, Robert T. Rundle.

The Superintendence of these Missions is, for the present, placed under the direction of the REV. MATTHEW RICHEY, D.D.

N.B. Placed under the Direction of the Missionary Committee:—William English, George Chapman, Thomas T. N. Hull, Hilton Cheesbrough, William Shaw, 2d, John W. Close, Frederick Hart, Joseph Oram, Joseph H. Fletcher, Charles B. Potts, and Charles Williams.

APPOINTMENTS OF THE WESLEYAN CONFERENCE IN CANADA, IN CONNEXION WITH THE BRITISH CONFERENCE.

JAMES DIXON, D.D., *President of the Conference.*
 MATTHEW RICHEY, D.D., *Co-Delegate.*
 GEORGE R. SANDERSON, *Secretary.*
 ENOCH WOOD, *Superintendent of Missions.*

I.—THE TORONTO DISTRICT.

- 1 *Toronto City, West*, Samuel D. Rice, George H. Davis; Jesse Hurlburt, A.M., Supernumerary.
- 2 *Toronto City, East*, John Ryerson, Samuel S. Nelles, A.B.; Anson Green, who is our Book-Steward; George R. Sanderson, who is our Editor; Egerton Ryerson, D.D., who is Chief Superintendent of Schools by permission of the Conference.
- 3 *Yonge-Street*, Lewis Warner, James Hughes.
- 4 *Humber*, Thomas Demorest, John Baxter; John Culham, Supernumerary.
- 5 *Cooksville*, David Wright; James Wilson, Superannuated.
- 6 *Brampton*, Peter Ker, David Chappison.
- 7 *Oshawa*, William Price, J. Gooderham.
- 8 *Newmarket and Snake-Island*, William Young, Alexander Campbell.
- 9 *Markham*, Joseph Messmore, George Case; David Youmans, Superannuated.
- 10 *Bradford*, C. Flummerfelt, W. S. Blackstock.
- 11 *Mono*, John Goodfellow.
- 12 *Notawasaga*, One to be sent.
- 13 *Barrie*, Luther O. Rice. One to be sent.

- 14 *Rama and Orillia*, Horace Dean.
 15 *St. Vincent*, One to be sent.
 16 *Brock*, Charles W. M. Gilbert. One to be sent. David
 Hardie, Superannuated.

JOHN RYERSON, *Chairman of the District.*

II.—THE LONDON DISTRICT.

- 17 *London*, John Carroll.
 18 *London Circuit*, William Pollard, Charles Sylvester; Edmund
 Stoney, Superannuated.
 19 *Blanchard*, Thomas Williams.
 20 *Goderich*, John Williams, James Gray.
 21 *Adelaide*, George Kennedy, John Webster.
 22 *Sydenham*, E. Sallows. One to be sent.
 23 *Chatham*, Samuel Fear, J. Laird.
 24 *Gosfield and Amherstburg*, Richard Phelps. One to be sent.
 25 *St. Thomas*, Samuel C. Philp, Richard Whiting; Thomas
 Harmon, Superannuated.

JOHN CARROLL, *Chairman of the District.*

III.—THE BRANTFORD DISTRICT.

- 26 *Brantford*, Edwy M. Ryerson, Wellington Jeffers; George
 Poole, Superannuated.
 27 *Malahide*, Joseph Sheply.
 28 *Woodstock*, Kennedy Creighton, Francis Chapman.
 29 *Norwich*, Robert Corson.
 30 *Walsingham*, Solomon Waldron, who will change with Brother
 Booth once a month.
 31 *Cayuga*, Ozias Barber.
 32 *New-Credit*, William Ryerson.
 33 *Dumfries*, Matthew Whiting, Thomas Jeffers.
 34 *Stratford and Peel*, Ezra Adams, William Dignam.
 35 *Guelph*, John Bredin. One to be sent.

WILLIAM RYERSON, *Chairman of the District.*

IV.—THE HAMILTON DISTRICT.

- 36 *Hamilton*, Henry Wilkinson, George Young; Daniel C. Van
 Norman, A.M., Principal of Ladies' Academy;
 Andrew Prindel, Samuel Belton, Superannuated;
 Thomas Rattray, left without a station at his own
 request.
 37 *Dundas*, Samuel Rose, Alexander T. Green.
 38 *Nelson*, William Willoughby, James Spencer; George
 Ferguson, Superannuated.
 39 *Georgetown*, William Philp.
 40 *Grimsby*, Hamilton Biggar, Joseph Hill.
 41 *St. Catherine's*, John Law, Charles Lavell.
 42 *Stamford*, Ephraim B. Harper, John Hunt.

- 43 *Chippewa*, Reuben E. Tupper, Stephen Brownell.
 44 *Seneca*, Thomas Cosford. One to be sent.
 HENRY WILKINSON, *Chairman of the District.*

V.—THE COBOURG DISTRICT.

- 45 *Cobourg*, John Douse; Alexander M'Nab, A.M., Principal of Victoria College; Silvester Hurlburt, Treasurer; John Beatty, Supernumerary; Thomas Hanna, Henry Trickey, Robert Robinson, John English, Students.
 46 *Norwood*, John Sanderson, Nelson Brown.
 47 *Peterborough*, George Goodson, Charles Turver; Moses Blackstock, Supernumerary.
 48 *Bowmanville*, William Haw, John C. Osborne.
 49 *Port-Hope*, Jonathan Scott, James C. Slater.
 WILLIAM CASE, *Chairman of the District.*

VI.—THE BELLEVILLE DISTRICT.

- 50 *Belleville*, John Gemley.
 51 *Colborne*, William Coleman, William Morton.
 52 *Consecon*, Richard Jones, William H. Poole; Daniel M'Mullen, Supernumerary.
 53 *Sidney*, John Black, Alexander Potts.
 54 *Marmora*, Stephen Miles. One to be sent. Joseph Reynolds, Superannuated.
 55 *Shannonville*, Daniel Wright.
 56 *Demorestville*, George Carr; I. B. Aylsworth, Supernumerary.
 57 *Hallowell*, William M'Cullough, Thomas Cleghorn; Gilbert Miller, George F. Playter, Supernumeraries.
 58 *Napanee*, William M'Fadden, John A. Williams.
 59 *Sheffield*, Abraham Dayman.
 RICHARD JONES, *Chairman of the District.*

VII.—THE KINGSTON DISTRICT.

- 60 *Kingston, East*, William Squire.
 61 *Kingston, West*, Isaac B. Howard; Henry Byers, Supernumerary.
 62 *Wilton*, George Beynon, Robert Lochhead.
 63 *Waterloo*, Cyrus R. Allison.
 64 *Gananoque*, Conrad Vandusen.
 65 *Elizabeth-Town*, Joseph W. M'Collum, T. W. Constable; Wyatt Chamberlain, Superannuated.
 66 *Newborough*, Alvah Adams.
 67 *Bath and Amherst-Isle*, M. Fawcett, John Armstrong, 2d.
 68 *Perth*, Francis Coleman.
 69 *Sherbrooke*, Michael Baxter.
 WILLIAM SQUIRE, *Chairman of the District.*

VIII.—THE BROCKVILLE DISTRICT.

- 70 *Brockville*, Noble F. English.
 71 *Prescott and Augusta*, Thomas Bevitt, Simon Huntingdon ; Ezra Healy, Superannuated.
 72 *Matilda*, James Musgrove, David M'Dowell ; Joseph Sawyer, Supernumerary.
 73 *Smith's-Falls*, John Lever ; William Brown, Superannuated.
 74 *Cornwall*, William H. Williams, William M. Pattyson.
 75 *Coteau-Landing*, Jonathan Loverin.
 76 *Kemptville*, Asahel Hurlburt.
 77 *Merrickville*, Vincent B. Howard.
 78 *Mississippi*, Benjamin Nankevill, William Chapman.
 79 *Winchester*, William M'Gill.

THOMAS BEVITT, *Chairman of the District.*

IX.—THE BYTOWN DISTRICT.

- 80 *Bytown*, Edmund Shepherd. One to be sent.
 81 *Westmeath*, Henry Shaler.
 82 *Bonchere*, John Howes.
 83 *Torbolton*, One to be sent.
 84 *Hull*, James Elliott.
 85 *Gattineau*, Erastus Hurlburt.
 86 *Buckingham*, John Armstrong, 1st.
 87 *St. Andrews*, David B. Madden.
 88 *L'Orignal*, James Greener ; Franklin Metcalf, Supernumerary.
 89 *Osgoode*, Charles Taggart.
 90 *Richmond*, William Andrews, Noble Armstrong.
 91 *Clarendon*, David Jennings, Lewis Morton.

EDMUND SHEPHERD, *Chairman of the District.*

Ephraim Evans and Edmund Botterell, transferred to the Nova-Scotia District ; Henry Lanton, Lachlin Taylor, and William Scott, to the Canada East District.

Q. VIII. What is the NUMBER OF MEMBERS in our Societies?

A. As follows, viz.,—

IN GREAT BRITAIN.

<i>Circuits.</i>	<i>Members in Society.</i>	<i>Circuits.</i>	<i>Members in Society.</i>
FIRST LONDON	2789	Higham-Ferrers	534
Richmond	150	Wellingborough	447
Uxbridge	78	Kettering	226
Second London	1719	Market-Harborough . .	209
Third London and		Chatteris	401
Thames Mission . . .	2665	Oundle	320
London Welsh	30	CANTERBURY	566
Fourth London	1721	Faversham	545
Fifth London	1816	Rochester	1145
Sixth London	2336	Gravesend	510
Seventh London	1406	Sheerness	308
Eighth London	1501	Margate	715
Deptford	1403	Dover	813
Hammersmith	630	Deal	277
Croydon	342	Rye	445
Romford	260	Tenterden	454
Leyton	75	Ashford	254
Ware, &c.	202	Sandhurst	640
Cambridge	487	Maidstone	500
Windsor	309	Sittingbourne	295
Chelmsford	233	NORWICH	1244
Maldon	195	Bungay	300
Colchester	743	North-Walsham	800
Manningtree	1002	Yarmouth	686
Ipswich	631	Lowestoff	388
Hastings	336	Framlingham	527
Sevenoaks	307	Diss	740
Tunbridge-Wells	451	New-Buckenham	523
Lewes, &c.	196	Bury St. Edmund's . .	322
Brighton	573	Holt	638
St. Alban's	620	Lynn	969
Guildford, &c.	228	Swaffham	800
Dorking, &c.	92	Downham	609
BEDFORD, &c.	1054	Walsingham	789
Leighton-Buzzard . . .	1072	Wisbeach	664
Luton	920	Thetford	501
Dunstable	992	Mildenhall	264
St. Neot's	407	Ely	510
Biggleswade	455	OXFORD	508
Hitchin	195	High-Wycomb	500
Huntingdon	754	Witney	402
Northampton	894	Aylesbury	588
Daventry	664	Banbury	552
Towcester	418	Kineton	263
Newport-Pagnell	378	Newbury	580

<i>Circuits.</i>	<i>Members in Society.</i>
Reading	251
Hungerford	730
Watlington	241
Thame	220
Brackley	714
Chipping-Norton	351
Swindon	209
Wantage	388
PORTSMOUTH	875
Gosport	153
Salisbury	1025
Poole	957
Ringwood	150
Newport (Isle of Wight)	948
Southampton	608
Andover	315
Chichester	178
GUERNSEY, English	448
Guernsey, French	986
Alderney	75
Jersey, English	415
Jersey, French	1348
DEVONPORT	928
Plymouth	1097
Launceston	834
Holsworthy	485
Kilhampton	423
Liskeard	887
Callington	498
Tavistock	590
Camelford	298
Kingsbridge	266
Brixham	220
Ashburton	308
REDRUTH	1594
Camborne	2063
Falmouth	896
Truro	1687
Gwennap	1824
St. Agnes	1022
St. Austle	1314
St. Mawes	349
Bodmin	765
St. Columb	515
Penzance	1069
St. Just	1682
St. Ives	759
Scilly Islands	107
Helstone	1560
Hayle	1238

<i>Circuits.</i>	<i>Members in Society.</i>
Marazion	693
EXETER	698
Crediton	78
Tiverton	348
Taunton	620
Bridgewater	374
South-Petherton	425
Axminster	232
Budleigh-Salterton	268
Bridport	357
Barnstaple	480
South-Moulton	268
Bideford	700
Dunster	292
Oakhampton	237
Teignmouth	311
BRISTOL, North	2236
Bristol, South	1247
Kingswood	1156
Banwell	670
Stroud	573
Dursley	524
Downend	691
Gloucester	460
Tewkesbury	264
Cheltenham	745
Newport	675
Cardiff	398
Monmouth	384
Abergavenny	890
Ledbury	435
Hereford	312
BATH	1068
Bradford, Wilts	682
Midsomer-Norton	1694
Frome	711
Warminster	104
Melksham	500
Devizes	152
Shepton-Mallet	875
Sherborne	599
Weymouth	654
Dorchester	354
Shaftesbury	864
Glastonbury	336
SWANSEA	500
Merthyr-Tydvil	883
Brecon	228
Carmarthen	222
Haverford-West	525

<i>Circuits.</i>	<i>Members in Society.</i>
Pembroke	398
MERTHYR-TYDVIL	565
Crickhowell	452
Cardiff	270
Cowbridge	140
Brecon	154
Llandilo	211
Carmarthen	330
Swansea	186
Cardigan	473
St. David's	95
Aberystwith	602
Machynlleth	437
Llanidloes	411
RUTHIN, &c.	489
Llangollen	411
Corwen	177
Llanrwst	650
Holywell	620
Mold	389
Llanasa	355
Beaumaris	347
Amlwch	410
Carnarvon	351
Bangor	500
Pwllheli	270
Barmouth	353
Dolgelly	501
Llanfyllin	542
Llanfair	319
BIRMINGHAM, West	1939
Birmingham, East	1689
West-Bromwich	707
Wednesbury	2272
Walsall	796
Wolverhampton	1322
Dudley	1588
Stourbridge	617
Stourport	693
Worcester	450
Bromsgrove	155
Evesham	377
Redditch	434
Coventry	420
Leamington	390
Stratford-on-Avon	156
Hinckley	660
Shrewsbury	358
Madeley	1077
Wellington	913

<i>Circuits.</i>	<i>Members in Society.</i>
Ludlow	615
Kington	360
MACCLESFIELD	1780
Buxton	485
Congleton	864
Namptwich	764
Northwich	755
Burslem	840
Tunstall	770
Newcastle-under-Lyne	724
Longton	414
Stafford	224
Leek	939
Uttoxeter	605
LIVERPOOL, North	1476
Liverpool, South	2175
Liverpool, Welsh	673
Chester	939
Mold and Buckley	148
Carnarvon and Bangor	40
Holyhead	57
Wrexham	340
Whitchurch	410
Warrington	812
St. Helen's and Prescott	505
Southport and Ormskirk	463
Wigan	490
Preston and Chorley	1342
Garstang	492
Lancaster	465
Newtown	465
MANCHESTER, First	1292
Manchester, Second	1619
Manchester, Third	1360
Manchester, Fourth	874
Manchester, Fifth	1157
Manchester, Welsh	147
Altrincham	397
Stockport, North	900
Stockport, South	786
New-Mills	510
Glossop	700
Ashton-under-Lyne	1050
Oldham	720
Delph	165
Bolton	2031
Rochdale	1270
Burnley	1148
Bury	917
Blackburn	599

<i>Circuits.</i>	<i>Members in Society.</i>
Haslingden	959
Bacup	1350
Colne	749
Clitheroe	517
Leigh	357
HALIFAX	2029
Huddersfield, First	1500
Huddersfield, Second	1456
Holmfirth	889
Sowerby-Bridge	1195
Todmorden	1408
Denby-Dale	601
Bradford, West	1744
Bradford, East	2077
Great-Horton	1263
Keighley	1738
Bingley	1103
Shipley	430
Skipton	503
Addingham	556
Grassington	196
Settle	282
LEEDS, First	2099
Leeds, Second	1912
Leeds, Third	1568
Leeds, Fourth	1738
Bramley	1832
Wakefield	2128
Birstal	1721
Dewsbury	1520
Knaresborough	842
Otley	842
Pateley-Bridge	850
Pontefract	1571
Cleckheaton	713
Yeadon	797
Woodhouse-Grove	494
SHEFFIELD, West	2506
Sheffield, East	2515
Chesterfield	1072
Bakewell	433
Bradwell	522
Rotherham	1709
Doncaster	1848
Barnsley	924
Retford	1319
Worksop	590
NOTTINGHAM, South	1550
Nottingham, North	2020
Ilkestone	606

<i>Circuits.</i>	<i>Members in Society.</i>
Mansfield	1100
Newark	1069
Bingham	723
Leicester	1070
Melton-Mowbray	870
Oakham	283
Stamford	326
Grantham	1011
Peterborough	674
Loughborough	942
Castle-Donington	596
Derby	1466
Ashbourne	343
Belper	883
Ripley	803
Ashby-de-la-Zouch	841
Burton	895
Cromford	740
LINCOLN	2149
Sleaford	1200
Market-Raisen	1069
Louth	2518
Horncastle	1498
Alford	1144
Spilsby	876
Coningsby	500
Boston	1159
Wainfleet	635
Spalding	1163
Bourne	346
HULL, West	1868
Hull, East	1786
Beverley	823
Driffield	922
Howden	1020
Patrington	485
Hornsea	478
Grimsby	1546
Gainsborough	1170
Epworth	783
Snaith	1339
Brigg	932
Barton	1181
Bridlington	1456
YORK	3000
Tadcaster	960
Pocklington	870
Malton	1330
Easingwold	1451
Scarborough	1711

<i>Circuits.</i>	<i>Members in Society.</i>	<i>Circuits.</i>	<i>Members in Society.</i>
Pickering	996	Morpeth	56
Thirsk	1102	CARLISLE	281
Ripon	861	Brampton	207
Selby	1159	Whitehaven	328
WHITBY	1012	Workington	453
Stokesley	667	Appleby	412
Darlington	667	Penrith	728
Stockton	940	Wigton and Keswick	244
Barnard-Castle	633	Kendal	702
Bishop-Auckland	456	Ulverstone	150
Middleham	540	Dumfries	57
Richmond	325	DOUGLAS and Castletown	1397
Reeth	741	Ramsay and Peel	1653
Bedale	828	EDINBURGH	473
NEWCASTLE-UPON-TYNE	1557	Dunbar	52
Gateshead	1074	Glasgow	863
North-Shields	745	Greenock	77
Blyth	394	Airdrie and Stirling	603
South-Shields	619	Ayr	123
Sunderland	1635	Aberdeen	370
Houghton-le-Spring	496	Dundee	97
Durham	837	Perth	62
Wolsingham	590	Arbroath	93
Hexham	607	Banff	65
Shotley-Bridge	687	Inverness	49
Alston	639	LERWICK	509
Allendale-Town	513	Walls	443
Alnwick	123	Northmavin, &c.	165
Berwick	79	North Isles	132-

Total Number of Members in GREAT BRITAIN this Year	338,861
Ditto last Year	339,379
Decrease	518

IN IRELAND.

<i>Circuits.</i>	<i>Members in Society.</i>	<i>Circuits.</i>	<i>Members in Society.</i>
DUBLIN, South	620	Bandon	484
Dublin, North	793	Skibbereen	312
Kingstown	58	Tralee	90
Drogheda	257	LIMERICK	330
Wicklow	330	Roscrea	172
WATERFORD	200	Cloughjordan	186
Carlow	268	TULLAMORE	213
Newtownbarry	364	Athlone	113
Wexford	200	Maryborough	250
CORK	400	Longford	234
Cove	83	SLIGO	491

<i>Circuits.</i>	<i>Members in Society.</i>	<i>Circuits.</i>	<i>Members in Society.</i>
Castlebar	70	Armagh	531
Ballina	184	Lurgan	446
Boyle	153	Moir and Dromore . . .	472
CLONES	380	Tandragee	420
Cootehill	330	Portadown	644
Killesandra	350		
Castleblaney, &c. . . .	366	MISSION STATIONS.	
Aughnacloy	286	Lucan and Trim	176
ENNISKILLEN	750	Kilkenny	245
Brookborough	604	Tipperary	24
Manorhamilton	760	Youghal	112
Lowtherstown	1034	Fermoy and Mallow . .	90
Pettigo, &c.	513	Kinsale	108
LONDONDERY	270	Berehaven-Mines . . .	67
Strabane	600	Dingle	33
Omagh	614	Ballinasloe	55
BELFAST, South	560	Killaloe	110
Belfast, North	718	Kilrush	55
Ballyclare	250	Galway	80
Donaghadee	540	Tuam	40
Carrickfergus	235	Belmullet, &c.	36
Coleraine	270	Cavan	180
Magherafelt	357	Donegal	650
Lisburn	407	Rathmelton, &c. . . .	120
Downpatrick	342	Newtownlimavady . . .	95
NEWRY	241	Ballymena	209
Dungannon	422	Ballycastle	90
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-Number of Members in IRELAND this year		23,142	
Ditto last year		24,633	
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Decrease		1,491	
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The Numbers in Society at the Stations occupied by the **WESLEYAN MISSIONARIES** are as follows ;—not, however, including the Irish Missions, the Societies of which are reckoned with the Numbers reported from Ireland :—

EUROPE.

	<i>Nos.</i>		<i>Nos.</i>
WINNENDEN (Germany) .	700	Lausanne and Aigle . .	54
FRANCE AND SWITZERLAND,		GIBRALTAR	64
Paris, and Rouen . . .	61		<hr/>
Calais	61	Total in Europe . . .	1714
Boulogne	41	Last year	1809
Caen, &c.	78		<hr/>
Nismes, Montpelier, &c.	329	Decrease	95
Ganges (Cevennes) . .	120		<hr/>
Nyons, &c.	206		

ASIA.

CEYLON.				Nos.
<i>The Singhalese, or South Ceylon District.</i>				
First Colombo		Trincomalee		24
Second Colombo	Nos.	Batticaloa, First		140
Negombo	136	Batticaloa, Second		14
Seedua	141	CONTINENTAL INDIA.		
Galkisse	87	<i>The Madras District.</i>		
Morotto	98	Madras		178
Pantura	100	Negapatam		18
Caltura	169	Manargoody		30
Galle and Amblangodde, &c. .	62	Bangalore (Tamul)		114
Matura	76	Bangalore (Canarese)		15
Dondra and Goddapitiya . .	107	Mysore		5
<i>The Tamul, or North Ceylon District.</i>		Goobbee		8
Jaffna and Wannerponne . .	92	Coonghul		1
Puttoor	2			
Cattavelley	5	Total in India and Ceylon	1,734	
Point-Pedro	6	Last year	1,718	
		Increase	16	

AUSTRALASIAN AND POLYNESIAN MISSIONS.

<i>New South Wales.</i>		<i>New-Zealand.</i>	
Sydney	642	Auckland and Pehiakura* . .	325
Paramatta	143	Mangungu*	233
Windsor	213	Waima*	82
Bathurst	167	Newark*	54
Camden	95	Wairoa (Kaipara)*	93
Wollongong	75	Waingarua*	167
Hunter's-River	272	Waipa*	216
Goulburn	19	Aotea (Beecham-Dale)* . . .	244
Port-Macquarie	15	Kawhia, Mokau, &c.* . . .	507
<i>Australia Felix.</i>		Ngamotu and Taranaki, South*	186
Melbourne	295	Waimate and Patea	550
Geelong	129	Port-Nicholson, Cloudy-Bay, &c.	696
Bunting-Dale	2	Nelson	184
<i>South Australia.</i>		Waikowaiti	250
Adelaide	390	<i>Friendly Islands.</i>	
<i>Western Australia.</i>		Tonga	1866
Swan-River	50	Habai*	2087
<i>Van-Diemen's Land.</i>		Vavau	2588
Hobart-Town	183	Keppel's Island	290
New-Norfolk	41	Niua-fo-ou*	478
Ross and Campbell-Town . .	63	Wallis's Island	37
Launceston	276		

* Returns received after the Numbers for the Annual Report were made up.

<i>Feejee.</i>		<i>Nos.</i>	
	<i>Nos.</i>	Total in the South-Sea	<i>Nos.</i>
Lakemba*	1160	Missions . . .	15,933
Viwa*	554	Last Year . . .	15,353
Somosom	16	Increase . . .	580

AFRICA.

SOUTHERN AFRICA.

<i>The Cape District.*</i>			
Cape-Town	294	Beecham-Wood	21
Wynberg	80	Clarkebury	68
Stellenbosch	220	Morley	105
Khamiesberg	153	Buntingville	47
Nisbett-Bath	570	Shawbury	25
Concordiaville	50	Palmerton	20
Elephant-Fountain	60	D'Urban (Port-Natal)	15
Cradock's Kloof	8	Pietermauritzberg	15
<i>The Albany and Kaffraria District.*</i>		Native Settlements	20
Graham's-Town	459	<i>The Bechuana District.</i>	
Salem and Farmerfield	293	Thaba-Unchu	170
Bathurst and Lower Albany	85	Plaatberg	173
Fort-Beaufort and Upper Albany	112	Mirametsu	52
Port-Elizabeth and Uitenhage	44	Lishuani	110
Cradock	84	Umpukani	44
Somerset and Graaf-Reinett	55	Imparani	40
Haslope-Hills and Glovukazi	85	Kamastone	89
D'Urban—Newton-Dale—Gwanga—Beka—Wesleyville—Mount-Coke—Tamakha	117	Colesberg	18
Imvani	6	Baraputsa Country	26
Butterworth	124	Total in Southern Africa	3,957
		Last Year	3,816
		Increase	141

WESTERN AFRICA.

<i>The Sierra-Leone District.</i>			
Free-Town	2380	Anamabu	176
Hastings and Wellington	788	Domonasi, &c.	115
York	464	British Akrah, &c.	164
<i>The Gambia District.</i>		Ashanti	37
St. Mary's	133	Badagry and Abbeokuta	24
Barra-Point	9	Total in Western Africa	4,883
Macarthy's Island	150	Last Year	4,715
<i>The Gold-Coast and Ashanti District.</i>		Increase	168
Cape-Coast Town, &c.	443		

* Returns received after the Numbers for the Annual Report were made up.

AMERICA.

WEST INDIES.

The Antigua District.

	Nos.
Antigua	2708
Dominica	1104
Montserrat	473
Nevis	1965
St. Christopher's	4027
St. Eustatius	351
St. Bartholomew's	109
St. Martin's	462
Anguilla	391
Tortola	1829

Total in the Antigua District	13,419
Last Year	13,730
Decrease	311

The St. Vincent's and Demerara District.

Kingstown	2982
Biabou	3092
Grenada	612
Trinidad	736
Tobago	1436
George-Town	1546
Mahaica	518
Arabian Coast	278
Victoria	638
Barbadoes	2014

Total in the St. Vincent's and Demerara District	13,852
Last Year	13,548
Increase	304

The Jamaica District.

Kingston	4873
Montego-Bay	1628
Spanish-Town	1502
Morant-Bay	1177
Yallahs, &c.	723

	Nos.
Grateful-Hill and Stoney-Hill	698
Falmouth	815
St. Ann's Bay	670
Beechamville	1091
Bath and Manchioneal	1895
Port-Antonio	320
Lucea	233
Guy's-Hill	538
Black-River	221
Clarendon	1023
Savannah-la-Mar	491
Ocho-Rios	600
Watsonville	549
Duncan's	769
Brown's-Town	575
Port-Morant	1432
Mount-Fletcher	651
Belize and Charibb-Town (Honduras-Bay)	350

Total in the Jamaica District (including the Honduras-Bay Mission)	22,824
Last Year	23,633
Decrease	809

The Bahama District.

New-Providence	798
Eleuthera	708
Harbour-Island	680
Abaco	237
Andros-Island	31
Turk's-Island	433
Bermuda (Hamilton)	258
Bermuda (St. George's, &c.)	168

Total in the Bahama District	3,313
Last Year	3,569
Decrease	256

<i>The Hayti District.</i>		Nos.			Nos.
Port-Republicain	.	.	.	Cape-Haytien	27
Port-au-Plaat	.	47		Total in the Hayti District	322
Samana	.	88		Last Year	280
Jérémie	.	22		Increase	42
Gonaïves	.	3			

THE BRITISH DOMINIONS IN NORTH AMERICA.

<i>Indian Stations in Western Canada.*</i>					
Alderville—Rice and Mud Lakes—Beausoliel-Island and French-River—Ow- en's-Sound and Arthur's— Schoogog — Grand-River —Muncey — Sarnia and St. Clair — Saugeeng — Simcoe	.	.	.	Sherbrooke	115
	.	1,095		Total in the Eastern Canada District	3,909
Total on the Indian Stations	.	1,095		Last Year	3,923
In Western Canada Dis- trict last year	.	3,082		Decrease	14
Decrease	.	1,987			
<i>Eastern Canada District.</i>				<i>The Nova-Scotia District.</i>	
Montreal	.	890		Halifax	485
Quebec	.	325		Lunenburg	239
Three-Rivers	.	37		Liverpool and Mill's-Village	330
Wesleyville	.	170		Barrington	476
St. John's	.	93		Yarmouth	162
Russeltown	.	297		Horton and Cornwallis	400
St. Armand's	.	261		Windsor	95
Dunham	.	296		Newport and Shubenacadie	390
Odell-Town	.	232		Amherst—Meccan and Parrsborough	323
Shefford	.	240		Wallace	264
Stanstead	.	152		Guysborough	182
Compton	.	83		Albion-Mines and River-John	64
Melbourne	.	257		Sydney (Cape-Breton)	120
New-Ireland	.	285		Charlotte-Town (Prince Edward's Island)	426
Clarenceville	.	176		Bedeque	281
				Total in the Nova-Scotia District	4,237
				Last Year	4,719
				Decrease	482
				<i>The New-Brunswick District.</i>	
				St. John, South	583
				St. John, North	132

* In consequence of the re-union which has been effected between the British and Canadian Methodists in *Western Canada*, all the Colonial Societies are now placed under the care of the Canadian Conference, and are consequently omitted from these returns. The *Indian Missions* in Canada continue under the direction of the *Missionaries of the Wesleyan Missionary Society*.

	No.		No.
Carlton	250	Blackhead	371
Frederickton	233	Island-Cove	62
Nashwaak	202	Perlican	140
Sheffield	115	Hant's-Harbour	124
Mill-Town	101	Port-de-Grave	107
St. Stephen's	215	Trinity-Bay	76
St. Andrew's	80	Bonavista	200
Sackville	114	Burin	90
Point-de-Bute	173	Grand-Bank	74
Petitcodiac—Hopewell	216	Brigus	208
Bridgetown	200	Green-Bay	131
Aylesford	205		
Annapolis	259	Total in the Newfoundland	
Digby—Sussex-Vale	200	District	2,336
Miramichi	122	Last Year	2,472
Richibucto	94		
Woodstock and Andover	144	Decrease	136
Bathurst	111		
Total in the New-Brunswick District	3,749	<i>The Hudson's-Bay District.</i>	
Last Year	3,732	Ross-Ville	91
		Moose-Factory and Abittibe	83
Increase	17		
		Total in the Hudson's-Bay District	174
<i>The Newfoundland District.</i>		Last Year	204
St. John's	183		
Harbour-Grace	70	Decrease	30
Carbonear	500		

Recapitulation of Members in the Foreign Missions.

In Germany, France, Switzerland, and Gibraltar	1,714
In Continental India and Ceylon	1,734
In Australia, Van-Diemen's Land, New-Zealand, Friendly Islands, and Feejee	15,933
In Africa (Southern, 3,957 ; Western, 4,883)	8,840
In the West Indies	53,730
In British North America	15,500

Total number of Members under the care of the Missionaries this year	97,451
Last year (including the Societies now transferred to the Canadian Conference)	100,303
Decrease	2,852
Deduct 1,987 Members transferred this year to the Canadian Conference	1,987
Total Decrease on the Missions now under the care of the British Conference	865

GENERAL RECAPITULATION.

	Nos.
Number of Members in Great Britain - - -	338,861
Ditto in Ireland - - -	23,142
Ditto in our Foreign Stations - - -	97,451
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Total number of Members under the care of the British and Irish Conferences - - -	459,454
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N.B. The number of regular Ministers, and Preachers on Trial, and those who are Supernumerary and Superannuated, is as follows; viz.,—

In Great Britain,

Ministers - - - - -	886
Ditto Supernumerary and Superannuated - - -	187
Preachers on Trial - - - - -	122
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	1,195

In Ireland,

Ministers - - - - -	79
Ditto Supernumerary and Superannuated - - -	35
Preachers on Trial - - - - -	25
Missionaries; viz.,—	
Ministers - - - - -	20
Ditto Supernumerary - - - - -	1
Preachers on Trial - - - - -	3
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	24
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	163

In our Foreign Stations,

Ministers - - - - -	308
Ditto Supernumerary and Superannuated - - -	8
Preachers on Trial - - - - -	52
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	368

Total - - - - -	<hr/>
	1,726
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Number of Members under the care of the <i>Wesleyan Conference in Canada</i> in connexion with the British Conference - - - - -	23,842
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Number of Ministers belonging to the <i>Wesleyan Conference in Canada</i> in connexion with the British Conference - - - - -	151
Supernumerary and Superannuated - - - - -	26
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Q. IX. Who is appointed the **PRESIDENT OF THE NEXT CONFERENCE IN IRELAND**, to be held in **Cork**, on **Wednesday**, the **27th of June, 1849**?

A. Our **PRESIDENT**, the **REV. DR. NEWTON**.

N.B. 1. The **REV. JOSEPH FOWLER**, the **Secretary**, and one of the **Missionary Secretaries**, are appointed to accompany the **President** to the next **Irish Conference**.

2. The **PRESIDENT** and the **REV. ALEXANDER BELL** are requested to visit **Scotland** in **October**, for the purpose of promoting the **Missionary cause**, and also of attending the **Financial District-Meeting**.

3. The **PRESIDENT** and the **REV. JOHN RIGG** are requested to attend the **Annual Meeting** of the **Second South-Wales District Committee**, to be held at **Merthyr-Tydvil**, in the **spring of 1849**.

4. The **REV. WILLIAM VEVERS** and the **REV. ROBERT NEWSTEAD** are appointed to attend the **Annual Meeting** of the **North-Wales District Committee**, to be held at **Llanrwst**, in the **spring of 1849**.

5. Two of the **English Ministers** stationed in **Wales** shall attend the **District-Meetings** of the **Welsh Ministers**; and two of the **Welsh Ministers** shall attend the **District-Meeting** of the **English Ministers** in **South-Wales**.

Q. X. Who are the **COMMITTEE FOR GUARDING OUR PRIVILEGES** during the ensuing year?

A. The **PRESIDENT** and **SECRETARY** of the **CONFERENCE**; all the **Ministers** appointed to the eight **London Circuits**; the **Superintendents** of the **Deptford** and **Hammersmith Circuits**; and all those **Ministers** now living who have filled the office of **PRESIDENT** of the **CONFERENCE**;—with the **REV. THOMAS WAUGH**, the **REV. JOHN F. MATHEWS**, and the **REV. JOHN GREER**, the **Representatives** of the **Irish Conference**;—together with the following **Gentlemen**:—

Dr. John B. Bennett, *London*;
George Bowes, Esq., *ditto*;
John J. Buttress, Esq., *ditto*;
Isaac Day, Esq., *ditto*;
John S. Elliott, Esq., *ditto*;
Thomas Farmer, Esq., *ditto*;
James Hoby, Esq., *ditto*;
William P. Judd, Esq., *ditto*;
Thomas Marriott, Esq., *ditto*;
Richard Matthews, Esq., *ditto*;
William F. Pocock, Esq., *ditto*;
Richard Marsden Reece, Esq., *ditto*;
Thomas Allen, Esq., *Macclesfield*;
William Allen, Esq., *Manchester*;
T. Percival Bunting, Esq., *ditto*;

John Burton, Esq., *Middleton*;
John Daniel Burton, Esq., *ditto*;
John Burton, Esq., *Roundhay, Leeds*;
Joseph Carne, Esq., *Penzance*;
Isaac Crowther, Esq., *Morley*;
William Dyson, Esq., *Howden*;
Robert Fawsitt, Esq., *Hunsley*;
George Heald, Esq., *Liverpool*;
James Heald, Esq., *M.P., Stockport*;
Mr. Francis Healey, *Birmingham*;
James Henwood, Esq., *Hull*;
Thomas B. Holy, Esq., *Sheffield*;
John Irving, Esq., *Bristol*;
James Meek, Esq., *York*;
Robert Middleton, Esq., *Cheltenham*;

Thomas Potter, Esq., *Manchester* ;
 Peter Rothwell, Esq., *Bolton* ;
 Thomas Sands, Esq., *Liverpool* ;
 Humphry Sandwith, Esq., M.D.,
Hull ;
 William G. Scarth, Esq., *Cheltenham* ;
 William Skinner, Esq., *Stockton* ;
 George Smith, Esq., *Camborne* ;

Samuel H. Smith, Esq., *Sheffield* ;
 Samuel Stocks, Esq., *Wakefield* ;
 John F. Sutcliffe, Esq., *Willow-Hall* ;
 Thomas Walker, Esq., *Cheltenham* ;
 William Walker, Esq., *Bradford* ;
 Joshua P. Westhead, Esq., M.P.,
Leigh Castle ;
 James Wood, Esq., *Manchester*.

N.B. Resolved, 1. That the cordial thanks of the Conference are due and are hereby presented to the Committee for Guarding our Privileges for their efficient attention to the important business confided to their care.

2. That the cordial thanks of the Conference be presented to the Secretaries, the REV. JOHN S. STAMP and the REV. CHARLES PREST, for their diligent and able attention to the interests of the Connexion during the year ; and that the REV. CHARLES PREST and the REV. THOMAS VASEY be appointed the Secretaries for the ensuing year. All communications to be addressed to the REV. T. VASEY, *Stamford-Hill, London*.

3. A Committee is hereby specially appointed for cases of exigency demanding immediate attention, or requiring prompt communication with the Government or with Parliament on subjects affecting our public interests, which shall consist of the President and the Secretary of the Conference, the Ex-President, the Secretaries of the Committee of Privileges, the General Secretaries of our Missions, the Chairman and Secretaries of the Education Committee, the Revds. George Cubitt, Peter Duncan, Thomas Jackson, John Lomas, John Mason, George Osborn, and Thomas Waugh ;—Dr. John B. Bennett, Thomas Farmer, Esq., James Heald, Esq., M.P., James Hoby, Esq., Richard Matthews, Esq., Richard M. Reece, Esq., and Joshua P. Westhead, Esq., M.P. ; with power to add to their number.

MISSIONS.

Q. XI. What are the Resolutions of the Conference in reference to our MISSIONS ?

A. 1. The thanks of the Conference are hereby presented to the General Committee, for their very faithful and able direction of the affairs of our Missions during the past year.

2. The following persons are appointed the General Committee of Management for the ensuing year ;—viz., the PRESIDENT and the SECRETARY of the CONFERENCE ; the GENERAL TREASURERS ; the General Treasurer of the Centenary Fund, James Wood, Esq., of Manchester ; the Treasurer of the London District Auxiliary Society, John J. Buttress, Esq. ; Sixteen of the Ministers appointed to the London Circuits, viz.,—

The Rev. Dr. Alder,
 — William Atherton,
 — Alfred Barrett,
 — Dr. Beaumont,
 — Dr. Beecham,
 — John Brown, 1st,
 — Dr. Bunting,
 — Peter Duncan,

The Rev. A. E. Farrar,
 — Joseph Hargreaves,
 — Elijah Hoole,
 — Timothy C. Ingle,
 — John Lomas,
 — John Mason,
 — John Rattenbury,
 — T. H. Squence ;—

The Sixteen following Gentlemen of *London*, viz.,—

Mr. Calder,
 Mr. John Chubb,
 Grantham R. Dodd, Esq.,
 John S. Elliott, Esq.,
 Thomas Gabriel, Esq.,
 Walter Griffith, Esq.,
 P. Brames Hall, Esq.,
 James Heald, Esq., M.P.,

Mr. Heslop,
 James Hunter, Esq.,
 Mr. Peter Kruse,
 Mr. John Lidgett,
 Richard Matthews, Esq.,
 W. F. Pocock, Esq.,
 J. P. Westhead, Esq., M.P.,
 Mr. W. Williams ;—

And, for the *Country*,—

The Rev. Jonathan Crowther, *Stockport* ;
 — James Dixon, D.D., *Birmingham* ;
 — John Hannah, D.D., *Didsbury* ;
 — Thomas Harris, *Sheffield* ;
 — John P. Haswell, *Leeds* ;
 — William Naylor, *Manchester* ;
 — William Vevers, *ditto* ;

The Rev. Francis A. West, *Huddersfield* ;
 William Jonathan Beet, Esq., *Sheffield* ;
 John Burton, Esq., *Leeds* ;
 Joseph Carne, Esq., *Penzance* ;
 Thomas Crook, Esq., *Liverpool* ;
 James Henwood, Esq., *Hull* ;
 Thomas B. Holy, Esq., *Sheffield* ;
 John Irving, Esq., *Bristol* ;
 Peter Wood, Esq., M.D., *Manchester*.

WALTER GRIFFITH, JOHN M. CAMPLIN, A. H. LATTEY, JAMES HUNTER, and FREDERICK INGOLDBY, Esqs., of London, are requested to act as a Medical Sub-Committee.

The following Gentlemen are appointed a Sub-Committee, to meet prior to the next Conference, and to report on the affairs of the Polynesian Missionary Ship:—The General Treasurers and General Secretaries of the Society; Michael Ashton, Esq., Liverpool; Mr. Chodwick, London; Thomas Crook, Esq., Liverpool; John Irving, Esq., Bristol; Mr. Lidgett, London; Thomas Sands, Esq., Liverpool; Thomas Speeding, Esq., Monkwearmouth; Mr. Ward, London; Mr. Weller, London; and the Rev. William Horton; with power to add to their number.

3. The cordial thanks of the Conference are hereby presented to THOMAS FARMER, Esq., and the REV. JOHN SCOTT, for their important services as General Treasurers of the Wesleyan Missionary Society during the last year; and they are respectfully requested to accept that office for the year ensuing.

4. The cordial thanks of the Conference are hereby presented to the REV. DR. BUNTING, the REV. DR. BEECHAM, the REV. DR. ALDER, and the REV. ELIJAH HOOLE, the General Secre-

taries, for their very acceptable and useful services to our Missions during the past year.

5. At the several Financial District-Meetings, which shall be held in September, arrangements shall be made for holding Missionary Meetings throughout the respective Districts, chiefly those to be held in the Circuit-Towns, during the ensuing year; so that such Meetings may be held at the least possible expense: and the District Treasurers and Secretaries shall be earnestly invited to attend the said District-Meetings, when such arrangements are under consideration. The plan for each District, thus provisionally arranged, shall be immediately transmitted by the Chairman to the several Ministers who form the Deputation for that District, as appointed in the List of Deputations hereafter subjoined. The said Ministers are required to correspond with the Chairman forthwith; in order that such *final* arrangements may be adopted, by mutual consent, as to the exact time of holding the Missionary Meetings for the Circuits of each District, as will prevent in future the great inconvenience which has resulted from the absence, on any Missionary Deputation, of more than one Minister from the same Circuit at the same time. It is required that a copy of each final arrangement, thus formed, shall be immediately forwarded to the General Secretaries in London. It is also recommended that one of the usual Quarterly Meetings of each District Auxiliary Committee be summoned during the sitting of the Annual District-Meeting, for the purpose of investigating the expenses incurred at Anniversaries, &c.

6. The Chairmen of Districts are requested, immediately after the District-Meeting in May, to send to the General Secretaries of the Missions a copy of that part of the District-Minutes which contains the names, qualifications, &c., of those Candidates who may offer themselves for Missionary work.

7. The following Ministers and other Friends are particularly invited to attend a Special Meeting of the General Missionary Committee, which will be held in Manchester, at nine o'clock in the forenoon of Tuesday, July 24th, 1849, according to the Seventeenth Article of the "Laws and Regulations of the Wesleyan Missionary Society;" viz., the Revds. John Bowers, William Burt, Henry Davies, Samuel Jackson, Charles Prest, John Rigg, Barnard Slater, William W. Stamp, and Joseph Stinson;—with Richard Bealey, Esq., Bury; George R. Chappell, Esq., Manchester; Charles Cooper, Esq., Manchester; Richard Crook, Esq., Liverpool; James Marshall, Esq., Stockport; John Mayson, Esq., Manchester; Samuel H. Smith, Esq., Sheffield; Archibald Vickers, Esq., New-Mills; and Ralph Wilson, Esq., Newcastle-upon-Tyne.

N.B. This Meeting is open to the Treasurers and Secretaries of the different Auxiliary and Branch Societies of Manchester,

and its vicinity, and to such other leading country friends of the Wesleyan Missions as can conveniently attend; and their presence is hereby respectfully requested.

MISSIONARY DEPUTATIONS, 1848-49.

Districts.	
<i>Bedford and Northampton,</i>	{ Charles Haydon, David Hay, William M. Harvard, Joseph Lawton.
<i>Kent,</i>	{ Joseph Hargreaves, Jesse Pilcher, Benjamin Gregory, jun.
<i>Norwich and Lynn,</i>	{ John P. Haswell, Thornley Smith, Stephen Kay, Mission-House.
<i>Oxford,</i>	William Burt, Samuel Young.
<i>Portsmouth,</i>	James Bromley, Samuel W. Christophers.
<i>Guernsey,</i>	Thomas H. Squance, Mission-House.
<i>Devonport,</i>	John Lomas, John Blackwell.
<i>Cornwall, (West,)</i>	Alfred Barrett, William Arthur.
<i>Cornwall, (East,)</i>	John Nelson, 1st, John Greer.
<i>Exeter,</i>	William M. Bunting, John H. James.
<i>Bristol,</i>	John Farrar, Frederick J. Jobson.
<i>Bath,</i>	Robert Young, Matthew T. Male.
<i>First South Wales,</i>	John Hall, John Martin.
<i>Birmingham and Shrewsbury,</i>	{ John Scott, Thomas Llewellyn, Robert Newstead, Thomas Nightingale.
<i>Macclesfield,</i>	Samuel Hardey, Henry H. Chettle.
<i>Liverpool,</i>	Abraham E. Farrar, Henry Bleby.
<i>Manchester (Easter) and Bolton (Autumn),</i>	{ John Rattenbury, William P. Appelbe, LL.D., William H. Rule, George Roebuck.
<i>Halifax and Bradford,</i>	{ Peter M'Owan, John Ryan, 1st, Robert S. Hardy, John Bedford.
<i>Leeds,</i>	Francis A. West, William L. Thornton.
<i>Sheffield,</i>	Henry Davies, George Steward.
<i>Nottingham and Derby,</i>	{ Robert Jackson, Alexander M'Aulay, William Smith, 1st, William Barton.
<i>Lincoln, (South,)</i>	George Osborn, John Lambert.
<i>Lincoln, (North,)</i>	Jonathan Crowther, George Scott, 1st.
<i>Hull,</i>	Dr. Dixon, John Hornby.
<i>York,</i>	Joseph Beaumont, M.D., William Fox, 1st, Mission-House.
<i>Whitby and Darlington,</i>	{ Samuel Dunn, William Jackson, 2d.
<i>Newcastle-upon-Tyne,</i>	{ Charles Prest, Mission-House, William Illingworth, Thomas Williams, 1st.
<i>Carlisle,</i>	William Naylor, William B. Stephenson.
<i>Ireland, (North,)</i>	Joseph Stinson, Robert Inglis.
<i>Ireland, (South,)</i>	George B. Macdonald, John Gostick.
<i>Ireland, (West,)</i>	William Moister.

SCHOOLS.

Q. XII. What are the Resolutions of the Conference respecting the affairs of our SCHOOLS?

A. 1. JOHN IRVING, Esq., and the REV. CHARLES PREST are re-appointed the General Treasurers, and the REV. PETER M'OWAN is re-appointed the General Secretary, for the ensuing year.

2. The following persons are appointed as the General Committee for the ensuing year:—The President and Secretary of the Conference, the General Treasurers and Secretary of the School-Fund, the Revds. Dr. Beaumont, Alexander Bell, John Bowers, Jonathan Crowther, Dr. Dixon, Abraham E. Farrar, John Farrar, Thomas Jackson, Frederick J. Jobson, Isaac Keeling, John Mason, Barnard Slater, John S. Stamp, Thomas Stead, William Vevers, and Robert Young;—with Thomas Farmer, Esq., and P. Brames Hall, Esq., of London; Thomas Crook, Esq., Michael Ashton, Esq., and Samuel R. Healey, Esq., of Liverpool; Benjamin Agar, Esq., of York; James Heald, Esq., M.P., of Stockport; William Dyson, Esq., of Howden; James Wood, Esq., T. P. Bunting, Esq., Dr. Wood, Richard Johnson, Esq., George Marsden, Esq., George R. Chappell, Esq., John Lomas, Esq., John Mayson, Esq., and R. Townend, Esq., of Manchester; Peter Rothwell, Esq., of Bolton; J. Robinson Kay, Esq., and Richard Bealey, Esq., of Bury; Abraham Vickers, Esq., Disley; William Beet, Esq., of Sheffield; and all the members of the Local Committees who have authority to attend the Conference.

3. The following are the Local Committees for the ensuing year:—

KINGSWOOD SCHOOL.—The Rev. John Rigg, *Chairman*; Rev. J. Cusworth, *Local Treasurer*; Rev. John Hall, *Secretary*; Revds. James Bromley, Henry B. Brown, James Carr, William Davies, 2d, William Davison, William Hurt, Samuel Jones, A.M., John M'Lean, Thomas S. Monkhouse, and Joseph Wood;—with J. Capel, Esq., Thomas Exley, Esq., A.M., J. Westcott, Esq., A. Harper, Esq., Thomas Harris, Esq., John Irving, Esq., J. Ayre, Esq., and Francis Riggall, Esq., of Bristol; William B. Liddiard, Esq., A. Mowatt, Esq., — Palmer, Esq., — Phipps, Esq., — Batchelor, Esq., and — Taylor, Esq., of Bath; and — Budgett, jun., Esq., of Kingswood.

WOODHOUSE-GROVE SCHOOL.—The Rev. J. P. Haswell, *Chairman*; Rev. W. Lord, *Local Treasurer*; Rev. W. Barton, *Secretary*; Revds. William Allen, William Bacon, Henry H. Chettle, Benjamin Clough, Joseph Entwisle, Benjamin Franklin, sen., Benjamin Gartside, Charles Haydon, Robert Inglis, Elijah Jackson, Ralph R. Keeling, John Kirk, William Levell, George B. Macdonald, James Methley, George Steward, Joseph Stinson, Charles

Taylor, George Turner, 1st, Edward Walker, and Francis A. West ;—with John Burton, Esq., Joshua Burton, Esq., William Smith, Esq., George Smith, Esq., Christopher Dove, Esq., George Morley, Esq., and W. B. Holdsworth, Esq., of Leeds ; Lodge Calvert, Esq., Mr. Thomas Haigh, John Cheeseborough, Esq., W. Cheeseborough, Esq., and William Walker, Esq., of Bradford ; William Pawson, Esq., of Farnley ; Edward M. Wavill, Esq., of Halifax ; John F. Sutcliffe, Esq., of Willow-Hall ; Thomas F. Sutcliffe, Esq., of Sowerby-Bridge ; Benjamin L. Shaw, Esq., and Thomas Mallinson, Esq., of Huddersfield ; William Yewdall, Esq., of Rawdon ; Samuel Stocks, Esq., of Wakefield ; and Jonas Sugden, Esq., of Keighley.

4. The Private Subscriptions and Public Collections for the School-Fund are to be made in every Circuit in the month of November ; and the Conference repeats and urges its recommendation to our lay-friends to render assistance to the Ministers in procuring the Private Subscriptions. The sums allowed to Ministers stationed in Circuits, for the education of their daughters, and of such of their sons as cannot obtain admission into the Schools, may be paid out of the amount raised in the Circuits where they are stationed, if sufficient for that purpose. In other cases, we repeat our Minute made in 1820 : “ The allowances for education do not become due until the next Conference, and are not to be paid in advance, except so far as the Collections and Subscriptions to the Fund in any Circuit will meet the claims of that Circuit. But when the Governors of the Schools have been fully enabled to provide for their current expenditure, if a surplus remain in the hands of the Treasurers, they may make such remittances, in advance, to Circuits in which the claims are large, and the contributions small, as may suit their convenience.”

5. The General Treasurers and Secretary shall furnish every Superintendent with an accurate List of the names of the boys and girls to whom the Education allowance is granted.

6. The Chairmen of Districts are directed to send to the Governors, immediately after each Annual District-Meeting, a list of the Boys recommended for admission into the Schools.

7. Every Superintendent is required to send to the General Treasurers a particular account of the sums contributed in his Circuit to this Fund, and of the claims made upon it ; stating distinctly the names of the children for whose education the usual allowance has been paid, and the exact number of years during which the allowance has been received ; and it is further expressly required that such accounts, with any balance then in hand due to the Fund, shall be sent not later than the 15th of December. All Communications to be addressed to the REV. CHARLES PREST, 11, *Storey-Street, Hull.*

8. The accounts for the year shall be closed on the 23d of June, and audited before they are presented to the General Committee of the next Conference; and in order to this, *every Superintendent is required, at the May District-Meeting, finally to correct his List of Contributions sent in December, and to pay at the same time all additional Subscriptions or Collections;* and the Financial Secretary shall send to the Treasurers such corrections, with an extract from the District-Minutes of every entry which relates to the School-Fund. This communication shall be made not later than the 31st of May.

9. At every District-Meeting, on the day on which the Circuit-Stewards are in attendance, during the transaction of the Financial business of the District, the Chairman is directed to inquire particularly into the amount of the Subscriptions and Collections raised for the School-Fund in each Circuit, and to compare them with the lists of the preceding year. Where any material deficiency, or want of due exertion, shall appear, the case shall be specially reported in the District-Minutes, and be brought by the Chairman before the ensuing Conference.

10. The thanks of the Conference are hereby presented to JOHN IRVING, Esq., and to the REV. CHARLES PREST, the General Treasurers, and to the REV. PETER M'OWAN, the General Secretary, for their efficient discharge of the duties of their offices in the past year.

11. The thanks of the Conference are presented to the Local Committees and Secretaries, for their attention to the affairs of the Schools during the year.

12. The thanks of the Conference are presented to the REV. JOSEPH CUSWORTH, and to the REV. WILLIAM LORD, the Governors of the Schools, and to MRS. CUSWORTH and MRS. LORD, for their kind and diligent attention to the comfort and welfare of the children placed under their care.

13. The cordial thanks of the Conference are hereby presented to the following contributors of Five Pounds and upwards, for their liberal aid to the Fund:—

	£.	s.	d.
Francis Riggall, Esq., Bristol	10	0	0
William Betts, Esq., Southampton	10	0	0
William Atherton, Esq., London.....	5	5	0

Q. XIII. What does the Conference resolve on the Report of the Committee appointed to effect the REMOVAL OF KINGSWOOD SCHOOL?

A. 1. The Conference expresses its approval of the step; already taken to effect this desirable object; and requests Mr. CUSWORTH to continue and complete as soon as possible his applications to our friends for Subscriptions. The arrangements for the Public Collection are postponed till the next Conference.

2. That, in the opinion of the Conference, it is not desirable that the Committee should proceed with the erection of the Premises until the sum of £8,000 has been obtained, either in cash or in good promises.

3. That the following Ministers and Gentlemen be the Committee of Management for the erection of the New Kingswood School; namely, the President and Secretary of the Conference, the Ex-President, the Revds. Dr. Beecham, Dr. Bunting, Joseph Cusworth, John Farrar, Frederick J. Jobson, John Lomas, John Mason, Charles Prest, Richard Reece, John Scott, John S. Stamp, Jacob Stanley, sen., and Samuel D. Waddy;—with William Betts, Esq., T. P. Bunting, Esq., Thomas Farmer, Esq., James Heald, Esq., M.P., J. R. Kay, Esq., and Peter Rothwell, Esq., and the members of the Local Committee of Kingswood School.

4. JAMES HUNTER, Esq., and the REV. JOHN S. STAMP, are appointed Treasurers of the Fund to be raised for this purpose.

BOOK AFFAIRS.

Q. XIV. What are the Resolutions of the Conference in reference to the affairs of the Book-Room?

A. 1. The REV. ISRAEL HOLGATE is re-appointed the Secretary to the London Book-Committee for the ensuing year. Letters should be addressed to him, at *No. 24, City-Road, London.*

2. The REV. WILLIAM DAVENPORT is re-appointed the Secretary to the Methodist Tract-Committee. Communications intended for this department should be addressed to him, at *No. 14, City-Road, London.*

3. The General Book-Committee shall consist of our President and Secretary, and all the members of the London Book-Committee who may be duly authorised to attend the Conference; with the Revds. William Barton, Corbett Cooke, Jonathan Crowther, Joseph Cusworth, Henry Davies, Dr. Dixon, Dr. Hannah, John P. Haswell, Frederick J. Jobson, Isaac Keeling, Peter M'Owan, George Marsden, William Naylor, George Osborn, John C. Pengelly, Charles Prest, John Rigg, Joseph Roberts, Barnard Slater, William W. Stamp, Thomas Stead, John Stephenson, William Vevers, Richard Waddy, Samuel D. Waddy, Daniel Walton, and Francis A. West, and the Representatives of the Irish Conference.

4. The thanks of the Conference are presented to the REV. GEORGE CUBITT, the Editor, and to the REV. JOHN S. STAMP, the Assistant Editor, for the faithful and able manner in which they have performed their arduous duties during the year.

5. The thanks of the Conference are presented to the REV. JOHN MASON, for his diligent and efficient management of the affairs of the Book-Room during the year.

6. The thanks of the Conference are presented to the REV. ISRAEL HOLGATE, for his services as Secretary to the London Book-Committee; to the REV. WILLIAM DAVENPORT, the Secretary of the Tract-Committee; and to the London Book-Committee, for their judicious direction of the affairs of the Book-Room during the year.

CHAPEL AFFAIRS.

Q. XV. What are the Resolutions of the Conference with regard to the GENERAL CHAPEL-FUND, and the CHAPEL-RELIEF FUND?

A. (I. *General Chapel-Fund* :)

1. The cordial thanks of the Conference are presented to THOMAS MARRIOTT, Esq., and the REV. ROBERT WOOD, the Treasurers of the General Chapel-Fund, and to the REV. FRANCIS A. WEST, the General Secretary, for their diligent and faithful services during the past year; and they are hereby re-appointed to the same offices for the ensuing year.

2. The Committee of Distribution of that Moiety of the UNITED GENERAL CHAPEL and EDUCATION FUND, which is to be devoted to Chapel-purposes, shall meet in Manchester on the Friday previous to the next Conference; and shall consist of the President, the Secretary, and the Ex-President,—the Treasurers and Secretaries of the General Chapel-Fund, the Treasurer, Secretaries, and other Members of the Chapel-Relief Fund, the Chairman and Secretary of the Chapel-Building Committee, the Revds. William Bacon, William Barton, John Bowers, Joseph Cusworth, Peter Duncan, Abraham E. Farrar, John Farrar, William Kelk, William Lord, George B. Macdonald, Elijah Morgan, Charles Prest, John Rattenbury, John Rigg, and John Scott; and *fifteen* Lay-Trustees, to be chosen as follows by the June Quarterly Meetings; viz.,—*one* from each of the following Circuits, Fourth London, Stockport North, Bolton, Rochdale, Liverpool North and Liverpool South, Leeds First, Huddersfield Second, Macclesfield, Sheffield West, Hull West, Newcastle-on-Tyne, Birmingham West, Chester, and York.

3. All Collections and Subscriptions for the United Chapel and Education Fund are to be remitted to the Treasurers of the General Chapel-Fund, (Mr. Marriott and the Rev. R. Wood,) *at the latest before the end of March, 1849*; and the Chairmen of Districts are hereby directed to make inquiry in their respective District-Meetings whether this Rule has been observed, and to insert an answer to that inquiry in the District-Minutes.

4. The Conference directs that every application to the General Chapel-Fund Committee shall be accompanied by the new Chapel-Schedule, duly filled up, and signed by the Chairman of the District, in the District-Meeting: and it further directs that the said Schedules shall be forwarded to the General Treasurers of the

Chapel-Fund, before July 1st ; and that all cases in which this latter direction shall not have been complied with, shall be postponed for at least one year.

5. The General Chapel-Fund Committee shall annually revise the cases recorded in the Minute-Book of the Chapel-Building Committee, and call for proof of the fulfilment of the prescribed conditions.

6. It shall be a condition of affording relief to any Chapel-case, that the Trustees will engage permanently to subscribe to the General Chapel-Fund.

(II. *Chapel-Relief Fund* :)

1. The cordial and respectful thanks of the Conference are hereby presented to JOHN BURTON, Esq., of Middleton, the Treasurer of the Chapel-Relief Fund, to the REV. FRANCIS A. WEST, and MR. JOHN D. BURTON, the Secretaries, and to the Members of the Committee, for their diligent and faithful services during the past year ; and the Treasurer and Secretaries are respectfully requested to continue those services during the ensuing year.

2. The CHAPEL-RELIEF COMMITTEE for the distribution of Final Grants in aid of embarrassed Chapels, shall consist of the following persons ; viz., the President of the Conference ; Revds. Jonathan J. Bates, William O. Booth, Jonathan Crowther, William Elton, Frederick J. Jobson, George Marsden, William Naylor, Robert Newstead, George Osborn, William Vevers, Daniel Walton, and Robert Wood ;—John Fernley, Esq., James Heald, Esq., M.P., John Lomas, Esq., James Wood, Esq., Dr. Wood, John Mayson, Esq., and George Marsden, Esq., of Manchester ; James Marshall Esq., of Stockport ; Thomas Crook, Esq., of Liverpool ; Richard Bealey, Esq., of Bury ; and Peter Rothwell, Esq., of Bolton. The Treasurer and Secretaries are, *ex officio*, Members of the Committee.

3. This Committee (who have power to add to their number, if they deem it expedient) are directed to consider applications from the Trustees of Embarrassed Chapels for Relief by Final Grants, towards the reduction of debt, and to decide what proportions of the amount to be liquidated shall be raised by the Trustees and friends of each Chapel to be relieved. The Committee are directed to hold their first Meeting in October next.

4. All Letters containing applications for Final Grants must be accompanied by the Schedules prepared by the direction of the Conference, properly filled up and signed. Fresh Schedules must be forwarded on every new application, and addressed (post-paid) to the REV. FRANCIS A. WEST, *Buxton-Road, Huddersfield*.

5. The Conference strongly disapproves of the conduct of certain Trustees of Chapels, in several parts of the Connexion, who have attempted, by advertisements, circulars, or otherwise, to

take an undue advantage of the benevolent feelings of our friends, by making applications for pecuniary aid beyond the boundaries of their own Circuits, in an irregular and unauthorised way. And, as such practices tend to diminish the income of the General Chapel-Fund, and thereby to injure the just claims of those Trustees who act legally and conscientiously, the Conference earnestly advises our friends to refuse any aid to persons thus begging for the erection and enlargement of Chapels, or for the liquidation of Chapel-debts, without any regular Connexional and official authority. According to our standing rule, every Chapel for which contributions have been solicited thus irregularly, or in places beyond the boundaries of the Circuit to which such Chapel belongs, must be excluded from the benefit of relief from the Chapel-Fund.

6. That the respectful thanks of the Conference be presented to MESSRS. WILLIAM and RALPH GREEN, and to their friends, for having built a Chapel at Crawcrook, in the Shotley-Bridge Circuit, such Chapel having been settled by them upon the Model-Deed, and presented to the Connexion free from debt.

CHAPEL-BUILDING COMMITTEE.

Q. XVI. Who are the CHAPEL-BUILDING COMMITTEE (without whose previous consent, obtained in writing, no Chapel, whether large or small, is to be erected, purchased, or enlarged) for the ensuing year?

A. 1. The Revds. William O. Booth, Henry H. Chettle, Jonathan Crowther, Frederick J. Jobson, John M'Owan, Peter M'Owan, George Marsden, William Naylor, Robert Newstead, George Osborn, Thomas Rowland, William W. Stamp, William Vevers, Daniel Walton, Francis A. West, and Robert Wood ;— with William Allen, Esq., J. Blakeley, Esq., T. Percival Bunting, Esq., John Burton, Esq., John D. Burton, Esq., George R. Chappell, Esq., Charles Cooper, Esq., Thomas Crook, Esq., John Fernley, Esq., James Heald, Esq., M.P., William F. Johnson, Esq., J. Robinson Kay, Esq., John Lomas, Esq., John Makinson, Esq., George Marsden, Esq., James Marshall, Esq., John Mayson, Esq., James Wood, Esq., and Dr. Wood.

2. The thanks of the Conference are hereby presented to the REV. GEORGE MARSDEN and to the REV. FREDERICK J. JOBSON, the Chairman and Secretary, and to the other members of the Committee, for their diligent attention to the business brought before them during the last year. The REV. GEORGE MARSDEN is re-appointed the Chairman of this Committee, and the REV. FREDERICK, J. JOBSON is re-appointed the Secretary, for the year ensuing. All letters on the subject of Chapels to be built, &c., should be addressed (post-paid) to the REV. F. J. JOBSON, *Radnor-Street, Manchester.*

3. The Ministers, Trustees, and others whom it may concern, are reminded that, according to Rule, "No case shall be sanctioned by the Committee, unless it shall come before them as having received the previous approbation of the Quarterly Meeting of the Circuit, and shall be recommended either by the Financial District-Meeting in September, or by the Annual District-Meeting in May; except that, if in any Circuit it be deemed probable that the erection, purchase, or enlargement, of a new Chapel will be requisite after the Conference, and before the month of April, the plans, specifications, and estimates of which are not ready to be submitted to the Financial District-Meeting in September, the Chairman of that Meeting shall by letter state to the Building-Committee the opinion of the Meeting as to the general expediency of such erection; and in such cases the permission of the Chapel-Building Committee shall be a sufficient warrant for their procedure, that Committee paying special attention to the particular examination of such cases when the details shall come before them."

4. The Chapel-Building Committee are instructed, when their permission is given for the erection of any Chapel, to accompany it with an earnest request that the Trustees will subscribe annually, according to their means, from their Trust-Funds, in aid of the Chapel-Fund. (See also Q. xv., A. 6, p. 78, of these Minutes.)

5. A copy of the *conditions* on which the Chapel-Building Committee shall agree to sanction the erection, purchase, or enlargement of any Chapel, shall be sent to the Trustees of the said Chapel for insertion in their Trust-Book; and another to the Superintendent of the Circuit, which he is to see entered in the Circuit-Book.

6. In addition to the regulation which requires that "a copy of the conditions on which the Chapel-Building Committee may agree to sanction the erection, purchase, or enlargement of any Chapel" shall be sent to the Chairman of the District, the Conference directs that a Schedule be sent every year by the Secretary to the Superintendents of Circuits, containing the particulars of the cases in each Circuit, in which permission has been granted during the year to build, purchase, or enlarge Chapels; and the Schedule shall be returned to the Secretary immediately after the District-Meeting, that he may be prepared to report to the General Chapel Committee, and to the Conference, how far the prescribed conditions have been observed or violated.

7. A Circular shall be sent by the Secretary of the Chapel-Building Committee to the Superintendents and Trustees, where the debts upon the Chapels reported to the Conference greatly exceed the amount allowed by the Building Committee, requiring them to use every effort to reduce such debts, and to bring them, as speedily as possible, within the limits first proposed; and the

Chairmen of Districts are required, at the ensuing May District-Meetings, to institute a most rigorous investigation into the state of such Trusts, and specially to report thereon at the ensuing Conference.

8. On receiving the Report of the Chapel-Building Committee for the past year, the Conference records its deep sense of the diligence and fidelity with which that Committee, and especially its Secretary, have discharged their several duties; and is gratified to find that a considerable improvement has taken place in the practice of the Connexion generally, as to the erection of Chapels. But the Report exhibits many instances of gross disregard of our Rules and Regulations; in some cases, by the violation of the conditions on which the Building-Committee had sanctioned the erection of new Chapels; and in others, by the building or enlargement of Chapels without application having been made to the Committee. Much experience has fully convinced the Conference, that it is impossible to prevent embarrassments to Chapel-Trusts but by a strict adherence to these Rules; and it is ascertained that in consequence of those regulations having been disregarded, in some instances of recently-erected Chapels, the Trusts are already involved in pecuniary difficulties. The Conference therefore deems it necessary to enact, and resolves most strictly to enforce, the following cautionary laws which refer to the erection, purchase, and enlargement of Chapels; and directs the attention of the Superintendents of Circuits, and the Chairmen of Districts, especially, to the following rules:—

(1.) That any applications to the Building-Committee to erect, purchase, or enlarge a Chapel, shall be made by furnishing specific answers to the questions contained in the “Form of Application,” and, when desired, forwarding the plans, specifications, and estimates to the Committee; and that before the work shall be commenced, two-thirds of the amount proposed to be expended shall have been promised, and at least one-half of the proposed cost be lodged in some respectable Bank. And it is also further required, that at least *one-half of the names of the gentlemen who are to act as Trustees* (their consent being previously obtained) *shall be forwarded with every such application to the Committee.*

(2.) That it shall be required of Superintendents, that when it is deemed necessary to make any deviation whatever in the plans sanctioned by the Chapel-Building Committee, so as to increase the cost of building or enlargement, such proposed departure from the original terms shall be fully and distinctly stated in a renewed application, and receive the sanction of the Committee before the proposed change shall be commenced.

(3.) The Conference directs that when a Superintendent, on entering a Circuit, shall find the building of a Chapel commenced, or proposed to be commenced, without the consent of the Chapel-

Building Committee, he shall be required to notify the same to the Committee, and to give them all the information in his power, respecting the plan, cost, subscriptions, and general arrangements.

(4.) That no Superintendent shall allow or sanction the opening of a new Chapel in his Circuit, or re-opening of one that has been enlarged, until the Building-Committee have officially certified that the conditions on which such erection or enlargement was sanctioned have been fulfilled; or that they are satisfied that such arrangements have been entered into by the Trustees, as afford a reasonable probability of securing the Trust from pecuniary embarrassment.

(5.) The Chairmen of Districts are required to institute a full examination, in the May District-Meetings, into the state of every Chapel built during the year; to make an exact entry of the required particulars in a book provided for that purpose; and to send a copy of such particulars to the Secretary of the Building-Committee *on or before the 1st of June*, so that he may be able to present his Report to the ensuing Conference.

(6.) The Chairman is also required to examine very minutely into all the cases specially remitted to him on account of the Trustees having failed, in former years, to observe the prescribed conditions; and to make a record of the particulars in the District "Record of Chapel Affairs."

9. The Conference directs, in the case of all Chapels to be erected in future, that, previously to their being opened, they shall be regularly registered as Places of Public Worship; and that the Certificate of such legal registration be publicly read at the first Opening-service.

EMBARRASSMENT OF CHAPEL-TRUSTS.

Q. XVII. What does the Conference direct with regard to the EMBARRASSMENT OF CHAPEL-TRUSTS?

A. The Conference, being deeply convinced that the pecuniary embarrassment of many of our Chapel-Trusts is a serious hindrance to the prosperity of the work of God in our Connexion, urges upon the Trustees, especially in those Circuits where great embarrassments exist, the adoption of such plans of pecuniary relief as may best suit peculiar local circumstances.

ERECTION OF CHAPEL-ORGANS.

Q. XVIII. What does the Conference direct in reference to the introduction of ORGANS into our Chapels?

A. 1. It having been found, that some cases of grievous pecuniary embarrassment have arisen from, or have been aggravated by, the imprudent erection of Organs, the Conference directs that all applications shall be accompanied by the proper Form of Application, furnishing an account of the state of the Chapel-Trust, in

order to its being ascertained how far it may be prudent to sanction the proposed erection of an Organ.

2. That, where it is practicable, the sanction of the District-Meeting for the erection of an Organ shall be obtained previously to the case being presented to the Chapel-Building Committee; but where this is not practicable, the permission of the above-mentioned Committee shall be sufficient, except in any case where the District-Meeting shall *forbid* the erection of an Organ.

3. The Secretary of the Chapel-Building Committee is directed to prepare, and forward to the Chairmen of Districts, a copy of the conditions on which the said Committee have agreed to sanction the erection of an Organ, in order that it may be ascertained, at the Meetings usually held in May, how far the conditions prescribed have been observed. The Secretary is directed to report the whole of these affairs to the Conference.

SALE OF CHAPELS.

Q. XIX. What does the Conference direct in reference to the SALE OF CHAPELS?

A. 1. The Conference directs that all applications for the consent of the Conference to the Sale of Chapels shall be first examined by the Chapel-Building Committee, and shall through that Committee be presented to the Conference.

2. In order to provide for a difficulty which experience has shown may be sometimes expected to occur, it is resolved that in case the sale of a Chapel should become indispensable in the interval between one Conference and another, the President for the time being shall be, and hereby is, authorised, on behalf of the Conference, to affix his signature to the document giving permission to sell; provided that each case be first certified to him, as approved, by the Chapel-Building Committee.

The following Schedules may be had of Mr. Mason:—

1. Application for Permission to ERECT a Chapel.
2. Ditto, to ENLARGE a Chapel.
3. Ditto, to SELL a Chapel.
4. Ditto to ERECT an Organ.
5. RETURN from Superintendents on Completing a Chapel.
6. Application for a FINAL OR ANNUAL GRANT, for the RELIEF of a Chapel.

CHILDREN'S FUND.

Q. XX. What are the Resolutions of the Conference respecting the CHILDREN'S FUND?

A. 1. That the thanks of the Conference are hereby presented to the District-Treasurers of the Children's Fund throughout the kingdom, for their kind services during the year; and also to WILLIAM G. SCARTH, Esq., and the REV. JOHN S. STAMP, the

General Treasurers, and to the REV. SAMUEL D. WADDY, the General Secretary, of the Fund.

2. WILLIAM G. SCARTH, Esq., and the REV. JOHN S. STAMP, are re-appointed the General Treasurers, and the REV. SAMUEL D. WADDY is re-appointed the General Secretary, for the ensuing year.

3. All Letters on business relating to this Fund should be addressed to the REV. JOHN S. STAMP, 14, *City-Road, London*.

4. In conformity with the Standing Rule, which makes provision towards the support of the Children of our Ministers, from a certain rate of contribution in proportion to the exact numbers in Society, it is agreed, that for the *ensuing year, One Hundred and Twenty-six* members shall provide the allowance for *one* Child. On this principle the following statement has been drawn up, which determines the number of Children's allowances for which each District is to provide in the year 1848-1849, and which must be divided by the September District-Meeting according to Rule, among the several Circuits included in it:—

Districts.	No. of Members.	No. of Children.
London.....	25,526	203
Bedford and Northampton	10,340	83
Kent	7,467	58
Norwich and Lynn	11,274	89
Oxford	6,497	52
Portsmouth	5,209	41
Guernsey	3,272	26
Devonport.....	6,834	54
Cornwall	19,137	152
Exeter	5,688	45
Bristol	11,660	93
Bath	8,593	68
First South Wales	2,756	22
Second South Wales	4,326	34
North Wales	6,684	53
Birmingham and Shrewsbury	17,988	143
Macclesfield	9,164	73
Liverpool	11,294	90
Manchester and Bolton	21,572	171
Halifax and Bradford	18,970	151
Leeds	20,627	164
Sheffield	13,438	107
Nottingham and Derby	18,811	149
Lincoln	14,257	113
Hull	15,789	125
York	13,440	107
by and Darlington ...	6,809	54

Districts.	No. of Members.	No. of Children.
Newcastle	10,651	85
Carlisle	3,562	28
Isle of Man	3,050	24
Edinburgh and Aberdeen.....	2,927	23
Shetland	1,249	—
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CONTINGENT FUND.

Q. XXI. Who are appointed to act for the ensuing year as the General Treasurers, Secretaries, and Committee, of the **CONTINGENT FUND**?

A. 1. ARCHIBALD VICKERS, Esq., of Disley, near Manchester, and the REV. JOSEPH CUSWORTH, of Kingswood, near Bristol, are appointed the *Treasurers*; and the REV. JOHN STEPHENSON, and the REV. THOMAS DICKIN, are re-appointed the *Secretaries*.

The Committee are, the President and the Secretary of the Conference; William G. Scarth, Esq., the Rev. John S. Stamp, and the Rev. Samuel D. Waddy, as Treasurers and Secretary of the Children's Fund; the Revds. W. Atherton, Alexander Bell, Dr. Bunting, Jonathan Crowther, H. Davies, John P. Haswell, William Horton, William Lord, John Mason, William Naylor, Charles Prest, John Scott, William Vevers, Daniel Walton, and Francis A. West;—with three Gentlemen, members of our Society, to be chosen by the Circuit-Stewards at the next May Meeting of the Manchester and Bolton District; two from each of the following Districts, viz., Leeds, Liverpool, Macclesfield and Birmingham; and one from each of the following Districts, viz., London, York, Sheffield, and Halifax and Bradford Districts.

2. The thanks of the Conference are presented to MICHAEL ASHTON, Esq., and the REV. JOSEPH CUSWORTH, the Treasurers, and to the REV. JOHN STEPHENSON, and the REV. THOMAS DICKIN, the Secretaries, of the Contingent Fund, for their faithful services during the past year.

N.B. The Committee of Distribution appointed to determine the *maximum* of Allowances to be made for Ordinaries to the several Districts, out of the Contingent Fund for 1849, after examining the probable income of that year, on the one hand, and the probable *comparative* necessities on the other hand, (taking into the account the increase or decrease of expense in the several Circuits of each District,) came to the following conclusions, which are now printed, in conformity with the order of the Conference, for the information and direction of the Circuits, and of the September District-Meetings; viz.,—

	£.	s.	d.
<i>Yearly Collection of 1849</i>	6,728	0	0
<i>July or Home-Mission Collection</i>	3,831	0	0

10,559 0 0

Reserved for the payment of Extraordinaries in 1849	647	0	0
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There remains as a maximum to be now pro- visionally granted for Ordinaries	9,912	0	0
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Districts.	Grants for Ordinaries.		
	£.	s.	d.
London	734	0	0
Bedford and Northampton	359	0	0
Kent	369	0	0
Norwich and Lynn	292	0	0
Oxford	329	0	0
Portsmouth	285	0	0
Guernsey	76	0	0
Devonport	311	0	0
Cornwall	199	0	0
Exeter	554	0	0
Bristol	474	0	0
Bath	204	0	0
First South Wales	134	0	0
Second South Wales	430	0	0
North Wales	466	0	0
Birmingham and Shrewsbury	533	0	0
Macclesfield	217	0	0
Liverpool	419	0	0
Manchester and Bolton	327	0	0
Halifax and Bradford	215	0	0
Leeds	174	0	0
Sheffield	20	0	0
Nottingham and Derby	219	0	0
Lincoln	122	0	0
Hull	100	0	0
York	16	0	0
Whitby and Darlington	264	0	0
Newcastle	116	0	0
Carlisle	265	0	0
Isle of Man			
Edinburgh and Aberdeen	610	0	0
Shetland	429	0	0
Ireland	650	0	0

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Q. XXII. What are the Standing Regulations which have been found necessary, respecting the just and fair Distribution among the Circuits of our Unmarried Ministers, with a view to the pecuniary relief of the Circuits so favoured; and also respecting Grants in aid of expenses incurred by the temporary Supply for Afflicted or Deceased Ministers, and Grants towards the furnishing of Additional Houses for Ministers?

A. The Resolutions on these several subjects which, on the recommendation of the Special Committee of Finance who met in February, 1846, were adopted by the Conference, are continued and confirmed. They are as follows; viz.,—

I. That in future the unmarried Preachers, especially those yet on probation, shall be in general appointed to such Circuits only, as, from their recent formation, the present smallness of the numbers in Society, or other very unusual and extraordinary circumstances, have the best claim on the kindness of the Connexion for the pecuniary relief which is always implied in the appointment to any Circuit of a single, rather than of a married, Minister.

II. That in order to distribute fairly and righteously the pecuniary relief connected with the appointment of single Preachers, and yet at the same time to meet the just and indispensable claims of junior married Ministers as they ought to be met, the following plan and scale be recommended, as that on which the Stationing Committee and Conference shall act for the present, and until the number of houses for the regular accommodation of married Ministers shall become more adequate to the wants of the Connexion.

1. No Circuit having *twelve hundred* members or upwards shall have an unmarried Minister appointed in it at all; but when an additional Minister is requested, if the Conference grant the request, a married Minister shall be appointed; and the Circuit shall make suitable and satisfactory provision for him by furnishing a house; or, if the Conference so agree, *in any special case*, the Circuit shall supply such a pecuniary equivalent for a house to the Minister so appointed as shall be satisfactory to the Conference; but after the expiration of one or two years, a suitable house must be provided by the Circuit, for the future residence of the additional Minister.

2. In the case of other Circuits, to which some relief in the matter of immediate appointment of married Ministers may be found necessary, the scale at present shall be as subjoined; viz.,—

(1.) Circuits having *one thousand* members and upwards, but less than *twelve hundred*, if they request it, and it be found necessary and expedient that they should have a *third* Minister, in addition to two previously appointed, may have a *junior* married Minister as that third Minister, on condition of their

providing for him, at their own sole expense, either a small house or suitable lodgings.

(2.) In similar circumstances, Circuits having *eight hundred* members and upwards, but less than *one thousand*, may, if they request an additional Preacher, and it be found necessary and expedient, have a junior married Minister, without *immediately* providing house or lodgings, on condition of their paying to such Minister for the year, in lieu of house-rent and all other allowances to married Ministers, the sum of £40, in addition to their ordinary allowances to a single Preacher.

(3.) Circuits having *six hundred* members and upwards, but less than *eight hundred*, £35, on the same principles and conditions, excepting as to the reduction of the sum from £40 to £35.

(4.) Circuits having *four hundred* members and upwards, but less than *six hundred*, £24; on the same principles and conditions, except as to the reduction of the sum from £35 to £24.

(5.) Circuits having less than *four hundred* members may, if the District-Meeting and Conference deem it to be required by a due regard to the maintenance or extension of the work of God among us, and if the circumstances of the Fund will allow such indulgence, have a single Preacher appointed for such a time as may be found necessary and practicable; and, if unable to meet the whole expense, may have assistance from the Contingent Fund. But all *such* assistance shall be given in conformity to our established rules, by a Grant, or an increase of Grant, as the case may be, towards its ordinary deficiencies.

3. In all cases, every allowance from the Contingent Fund for Ordinaries, of whatever kind, or of whatever form, shall be duly entered in the Annual Account in one sum and one column, as a Grant in aid to the Circuit in connexion with whose name it is so entered.

III. That Circuits which have given pledges to receive married Ministers at the expiration of specified terms of years, and have considered the reception of these pledges as implying a well-founded expectation that the Conference will not require them to provide for married Ministers and their families at earlier periods, shall not be imperatively called upon to receive and provide for them at earlier periods than those contemplated in the arrangements, so that such arrangements shall not be superseded, unless such Circuits, taking into consideration the serious embarrassments of the Contingent Fund, can be induced sooner to acquiesce in the preceding plans.

IV. That as it may not be practicable for some Circuits immediately to comply with the proposed arrangements as to the entire support of junior married Ministers, the Committee of Distribution of the Contingent Fund shall be authorised to consider the peculiar necessities of such Circuits, and to assist them, either

wholly or in part, to bear the increased expenditure to which they may be subjected, by affording from that Fund such a Grant towards their ordinary deficiencies as may be necessary for the purpose, so far as the state of the Fund will admit.

V. That as a very large and increasing charge upon the Contingent Fund arises from the claims annually made by some Circuits for expenses incurred in the supply of the places of afflicted and deceased Ministers, by Preachers sent in the course of the year by the President, the Conference directs the Committee of the Contingent Fund to watch applications for assistance from the Fund on such grounds with more than ordinary vigilance; and that, even in cases in which that Committee may deem it necessary to afford some relief, the amount granted shall not include the expense incurred by the board of the Preachers sent as supplies; and the Conference also directs that the name of the Circuit so relieved shall be printed in the accounts of the Contingent Fund, under the head of "Miscellaneous Expenses."

VI. The Conference resolves that, in future, the Committee of Distribution of the Contingent Fund may be authorised to make Grants towards the expenses incurred in furnishing additional houses for the residence of our Ministers, when such Grants shall be applied for by the Quarterly Meetings of Circuits needing such assistance, in the following proportions; viz., to Circuits having *eight hundred* members but less than *one thousand*, £10 may be allowed towards the furnishing of an additional house; to Circuits having *six hundred* members, but less than *eight hundred*, the sum of £20; to Circuits having *four hundred* members, but less than *six hundred*, the sum of £30; and to Circuits having less than *four hundred* members, the sum of £40. In all cases the applications of Circuits for Grants in aid of Furniture for additional houses shall be submitted to the Annual District-Meetings held in May, who are to judge of the real necessities of the cases to be brought under their consideration; and the Committee of Distribution shall not make any Grant in aid of Furniture without the previous recommendation of the District-Committee.

CIRCUIT-HOUSES.—Resolved, That the September and Annual District-Meetings be directed, when the Stewards are present, to make special inquiry respecting those Circuits which ought to provide additional houses for married Ministers.

WORN-OUT MINISTERS' AND MINISTERS' WIDOWS' AUXILIARY FUND.

Q. XXIII. Who are the Committee of the WORN-OUT MINISTERS' AND MINISTERS' WIDOWS' AUXILIARY FUND,—appointed to superintend the general state and working of that Fund; and also to consider and decide upon such peculiar cases of Supernumerary and Superannuated Ministers, and of Widows

of Deceased Ministers, as may be specially recommended by the District-Meetings in the ensuing year, for some *occasional* relief from the Fund?

A. The PRESIDENT and the SECRETARY of the Conference; the

Rev. William Atherton,
 — Dr. Bunting,
 — Dr. Hannah,
 — Thomas Harris,
 — John P. Haswell,
 — Samuel Jackson,
 — Thomas Jackson,
 — John Mason,
 — William Naylor,
 — John S. Stamp,
 — William Vevers;

Thomas Farmer, Esq., London;
 John Mayson, Esq., Manchester;
 A. Vickers, Esq., New-Mills;
 Thomas Crook, Esq., Liverpool;
 John Burton, Esq., Manchester;
 George R. Chappell, Esq., ditto;
 James Heald, Esq., M.P., Stockport;
 Francis Riggall, Esq., Bristol;
 Peter Rothwell, Esq., Bolton;
 John Burton, Esq., Leeds;
 Christopher Dove, Esq., Leeds.

N.B. Should any of the persons belonging to this Committee be unable to attend its Meeting on the Saturday previous to the assembling of the next Conference, early notice should be sent to the PRESIDENT, who has authority to appoint substitutes.

Q. XXIV. Who are appointed the TREASURERS and the SECRETARY of the Auxiliary Fund, for the ensuing year?

A. 1. JAMES WOOD, Esq., of Manchester, and the REV. JOHN SCOTT, of London, are requested to continue as the Treasurers; and the REV. THOMAS EASTWOOD, as the Secretary; and they are *ex-officio* members of the Committee.

2. The cordial thanks of the Conference are presented to JAMES WOOD, Esq., and the REV. JOHN SCOTT, for their valuable services as General Treasurers, and to the REV. THOMAS EASTWOOD, for his services as Secretary, during the past year; and also to the DISTRICT-TREASURERS, and CIRCUIT-TREASURERS, for their continued kind and faithful attention to the interests of this Fund.

Q. XXV. What are the regulations to be observed in collecting that part of the income of the Auxiliary Fund which is raised by DONATIONS IN THE CLASSES?

A. 1. Each Circuit is to be responsible to the General Treasurers for a yearly sum equal at the least, on a general average of all the Societies included within that Circuit, to Sixpence per Member; taking the numbers for the Circuit, in all cases, as returned to the preceding Conference, and published in its Minutes.

2. The Conference directs, that at the renewal of the Society-Tickets, during the September Visitation, every Minister shall fully explain to the Members of each Class the nature and reasonableness of those claims upon their justice and liberality, which were intended to be met by the establishment of this Fund. He shall also give to each Member a short printed Address, explanatory of the same particulars. He shall then enter in the

Class-Book the individual subscriptions, as in the case of the **Yearly Collection** at the **March Visitation**. At the *first* or *second* **Class-Meetings** in the month of **October**, the **Leaders** shall collect the **Subscriptions** thus promised, and shall pay the same to the **Circuit-Treasurer**, as hereinafter appointed.

3. In order to prevent a deficiency in the sum which an average of **Sixpence** per **Member** throughout **England, Scotland, and Wales** would raise, the **Conference** directs that the **Ministers** of every **Circuit** be enjoined, with the assistance of our lay-friends, to do their utmost to raise its full proportion in **October** next, by the **Subscriptions** in the **Classes**; and that, in any **Circuit** which shall then prove deficient, **Public Collections** shall be made to meet such deficiency, if not otherwise provided for.

4. In every **Circuit**, at the **September Quarterly Meeting**, a **Circuit-Treasurer** for the **Worn-out Ministers' and Widows' Fund** shall be appointed, whose office it shall be,

(1.) To meet the **Class-Leaders** not later than the last week in **October**, in order to examine the books in which the contributions of the **Members** shall have been entered; and to receive the sums which shall have been paid, in the early part of that month.

(2.) To see, or send to, for the same purpose, those **Leaders** who cannot attend the **Meeting**.

(3.) To confer with the **Ministers** and leading **Friends** of the **Circuit**, if it should happen in any case that the amount received in the **Classes** falls below the proportionate sum chargeable on the **Circuit**, on the best method of making up the deficiency.

(4.) To remit the **Circuit** contribution to the **District-Treasurer** for the **Auxiliary Fund**, as is the case in respect to the **Children's Fund**;—this remittance to be made in the month of **November**, *at the latest*.

5. At the **Financial District-Meeting**, held in **September**, a **District-Treasurer** shall be chosen, to whom all sums raised in the **Circuits** of his **District** shall be paid, and he shall transmit such sums to the **General Treasurers** not later than the 13th of **December**. These remittances are to be addressed to the **REV. JOHN SCOTT, St. George's Terrace, Islington, London**.

6. At the **Annual District-Meetings** held in **May**, when the **Circuit-Stewards** are in attendance, the **District-Treasurers** shall report the sums which they have received from the several **Circuits**;—when, if any **Circuit** has not raised its quota, the **Ministers** and **Stewards** of that **Circuit** shall be urged to make up the deficiency; and arrangements shall be made for the continued prosecution in the several **Circuits** of this truly **Christian** measure, which the **Connexion**, in the **Centenary** year, so unanimously recommended to the adoption of the **Conference**.

Q. XXVI. Have the **DONATIONS IN THE CLASSES** during the last year amounted, on the average, to **Sixpence** per member?

A. The Conference gratefully learns from the Committee's Report, that the amount received from this source is nearly equal to that which was contributed the preceding year, notwithstanding the pecuniary difficulties which have been felt by all classes of the community, and that the aggregate amount of deficiency caused by Circuits which have not raised their average is considerably less than heretofore; and the Conference hereby renews its expression of cordial thanks to the Societies at large, for the cheerful liberality with which they have made these contributions to the Fund, and trusts to that liberality for the continuance of a surplus in Circuits which have exceeded their average, for the supply of a surplus amount by Circuits in which not more than the average has been hitherto raised, and for the removal of deficiencies in Circuits which, the last year, did not raise their average.

Q. XXVII. What does the Conference direct respecting the ANNUAL DEFICIENCY OF INCOME, and the PRESENT LARGE DEBT UPON THE FUND?

A. The Report of the Special Committee appointed by the last Conference to consider the above questions was read, and also the Report and Resolutions of the Committee, when the Conference resolved as follows :—

1. That the sums now annually paid to Supernumeraries and Widows were so deliberately arranged, and so generally and publicly discussed and approved by the whole Connexion during the Centenary year, that the faith of the Connexion may be justly regarded as pledged to their continuance;* and that any deduction from those sums is greatly to be deprecated, and ought to be prevented by the adoption of suitable means to obtain an adequate income.

2. That the insufficiency of the present income to meet the claims upon the Fund arises chiefly from the great diminution in the June Subscriptions, as compared with the amount which that branch of the income realised in 1839: that, in the judgment of the Conference, in addition to those kind friends who annually subscribe to the Fund in June, and to whom it presents its grateful acknowledgments, there are many more, both in our Societies and Congregations, who are able, and, if requested so to do, willing, in this way to afford the necessary assistance; and in order that a sufficient income may be obtained to meet those payments to Supernumeraries and Widows which justice, humanity, and public faith require should be made, the Conference again *engages* that the application to those friends *shall be made general in all the Circuits*.

3. That to remove at once and entirely the present debt, which

* See Minutes of Conference for 1839, Vol. VIII., p. 507.

comprises the deficiencies of four years, and which will probably amount to £2,650, when the second half-year's payments are made, a special Subscription be forthwith commenced; and that, for the sake of the Worn-out Ministers of the Body, and the Widows of deceased Ministers, every Minister in full connexion, except such as are not provided by the Circuits with houses, shall contribute the sum of *two guineas*; and every married Minister without a house, every Preacher on probation, and every Supernumerary, shall contribute *one guinea*. These sums are to be paid to the REV. JOHN MASON, at or before Christmas next. This Regulation shall extend to all Ministers engaged in the Foreign Work.

N.B. 1. The Chairmen of Districts are required to send to the Secretary such parts of the Minutes of the District-Meetings as relate to this Fund, *immediately after the May Meeting of their Districts*; in order that he may have sufficient time to arrange the cases specially recommended to the consideration of the Committee, and to prepare the Annual General Statement.

2. To enable the Committee, at their Meeting previously to the next Conference, at once to ascertain the state of the Fund, every Superintendent shall transmit to the Secretary an account of the sum subscribed in his Circuit in the month of June, with a List of the Subscribers,—these Lists to be sent, at the *latest*, by *the 30th of June*. The Secretary's Address is, REV. THOMAS EASTWOOD, *Tadcaster*.

3. The cordial thanks of the Conference are specially presented to the following Friends, for their generous contributions to the Auxiliary Fund; viz.,—

ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTIONS.

	£.	s.	d.
Francis Riggall, Esq., Bristol	20	0	0
Isaac Crowther, Esq., Morley	10	10	0
J. F. Sutcliffe, Esq., Sowerby-Bridge	5	5	0
Mrs. Sutcliffe, Sowerby-Bridge.....	5	5	0
Miss Rothwell, Bolton	5	5	0
Mrs. Parker, Warwick-Hall	5	0	0
William Betts, Esq., Southampton	5	0	0
J. Wright, Esq., Birmingham	5	0	0

SPECIAL DONATIONS TO THE AUXILIARY FUND.

	£.	s.	d.
Mrs. Scott, Bath	30	0	0
Mrs. Joshua Burton, Leeds	25	0	0
William Ellis, Esq., Maida-Hill, London	6	0	0
H. Goring, Esq., Oxford	5	0	0
Friend in the Wednesbury Circuit, by the Rev. James Shoar	5	0	0
Thomas Gurney, Esq., Lambeth	20	0	0
William Shipperry, Esq., Worthing	15	15	0
Mr. John Crook, Ramsgate	5	0	0
D. D. D., by the Rev. Elijah Hoole	50	0	0

	£.	s.	d.
Friend, by the Rev. Samuel Jackson	5	0	0
A Friend, by the Rev. J. W. Button	5	0	0
A small Methodist Society, at Mineral del Monte, Mexico, by Mr. C. Rule, through the Rev. Dr. Bunting	10	0	0

The thanks of the Conference are also presented to the Executors, who have paid the following Legacies:—

	£.	s.	d.
Widow of the Rev. Thomas Preston, Leeds.....	10	0	0
Mr. Leaf, of Naburn, near York	19	19	0

N.B. The cordial thanks of the Conference are presented to the following Friends of the METHODIST MINISTERS' ANNUITANT SOCIETY, (instituted for the benefit of our Worn-out Ministers, and of Widows of Ministers,) for their benevolent and very seasonable Donations to that institution :—

	£.	s.	d.
Mrs. F., of Liverpool, by the Rev. E. Walker	5	0	0
A Friend, Halifax, by the Rev. J. M'Owan	15	0	0
In Memory of the late Rev. Joseph Taylor, by the Rev. J. P. Haswell	50	0	0
Rev. John Kemp	20	0	0
Miss Clitherow, by the Rev. William Crookes	5	0	0

The thanks of the Conference are also presented to the Gentlemen who, as Executors, have paid the following Legacies:—

	£.	s.	d.
To Messrs. Rogers and Griffith, for the Bequest of Mr. Thomas Gregory, of Birkenhead.....	50	0	0
To Mr. Shepherd, for the Legacy of Mr. Roberts, of Plymouth ...	10	0	0
To the Rev. John Geden, for the Legacy of Mrs. Mary Burdsall...	19	10	0

. In order to show to our benevolent Friends the pressing necessities of the Methodist Ministers' Annuitant Society, it is deemed right to state, that the Members have been under the necessity of reducing the amount of annuities in the first or lowest class, from £19. 19s. to £10 each, and in the other classes on a just proportion, at the same time raising their annual Subscription to £6, a sum inconveniently large for many of our Ministers to pay.

WESLEYAN THEOLOGICAL INSTITUTION.

Q. XXVIII. What are the Resolutions of the Conference with regard to the WESLEYAN THEOLOGICAL INSTITUTION?

A. 1. The Conference receives with much satisfaction, and with devout gratitude to God, the evidence afforded by the Reports of the House-Governors and Examiners, and by other concurrent testimonies, of the continued blessing of Almighty God on the two Branches of the Institution.

2. The respectful and affectionate thanks of this Conference are presented to the REV. DR. BUNTING, the President of the

Institution, for the unabated zeal and efficiency with which he has given to the Institution the benefit of his valuable counsel and direction during the past year.

3. The cordial thanks of the Conference are presented to the REV. THOMAS JACKSON and the REV. DR. HANNAH, the Theological Tutors,—to the REV. JOHN BOWERS and the REV. WILLIAM W. STAMP, the House-Governors,—and to the REV. JOHN FARRAR and the REV. WILLIAM L. THORNTON, the Classical Tutors, for the faithfulness and efficiency of their services during the past year.

4. The respectful thanks of the Conference are presented to JAMES WOOD, Esq., and the REV. JOHN FARRAR, the General Treasurers,—to THOMAS FARMER, Esq., and P. BRAMES HALL, Esq., the Local Treasurers of the Southern Branch, and to JOHN BURTON, Esq., and JOHN D. BURTON, Esq., the Local Treasurers of the Northern Branch,—for their faithful and acceptable services during the past year; and they are respectfully requested to continue in these offices respectively, during the next year.

5. The thanks of the Conference are presented to the REV. JONATHAN CROWTHER, the General Secretary, and Local Secretary of the Northern Branch, and to the REV. ALFRED BARRETT, the Local Secretary of the Southern Branch, for their services during the past year; and they are re-appointed to the same offices for the ensuing year.

6. The Conference learns with satisfaction that the Quarterly Meetings of several Circuits, and several bodies of Trustees, have again forwarded contributions in support of the Institution; and trusts that their example may be generally followed.

7. Great advantage having been derived from the adoption of the plan which directed the Committee for the Special Examination of all Candidates for our Ministry to sit *before*, instead of *after*, each Annual Session of the Conference, it is further directed that all Candidates recommended by the respective District-Meetings in May, shall be summoned to London at a time to be fixed by the President, and subjected to an additional examination by a Committee, consisting of the President and the Secretary of the Conference, the Tutors and House-Governors of both Branches of the Institution, the Missionary Secretaries, and such other Ministers as may be selected for that purpose from their own number by the next Annual Meeting of the London District.—MR. RATTENBURY and MR. BARRETT are re-appointed the Secretaries of this Committee.

8. The Ministers are directed to collect the Donations and Subscriptions which may have been promised in their respective Circuits, and as many others as they may be able to procure, in aid of the Funds of the Theological Institution, during the first

and second weeks of the month of January, 1849; and to remit them to the REV. JOHN FARRAR, at the *Wesleyan Theological Institution, Richmond, Surrey*, not later than the end of January. —The annual accounts of the Institution shall for the future be closed on the 30th of June of each year.

Q. XXIX. Who are the **GENERAL COMMITTEE** for the ensuing year?

A. The President and the Secretary of the Conference; the General Treasurers and Secretary; the President of the Institution; the Tutors and House-Governors of both Branches; the Local Treasurers and Secretaries; the Rev. John Scott, as one of the Treasurers of the Wesleyan Missionary Society; and the General Secretaries of that Society.—The Rev. John Mason, the Rev. Frederick J. Jobson, and Messrs. T. Crook, J. Heald, and P. Kruse, are requested to act as Auditors; and shall, as such, be Members of the General Committee.

Q. XXX. Who are the **LOCAL COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT** for the *Southern Branch* of the Institution?

A. The President and Secretary of the Conference; the President of the Institution; Thomas Farmer, and P. Brames Hall, Esqrs., the Local Treasurers; the Local Secretary; the Richmond Tutors and House-Governor; the Rev. John Scott, one of the General Treasurers of the Wesleyan Missionary Society; the Secretaries of that Society; the Book-Steward, Editor, and Assistant Editor; and the following Ministers and Gentlemen:—

Rev. William Atherton,
Rev. Dr. Beaumont,
Dr. John B. Bennett,
Rev. John Brown,
Rev. William M. Bunting,
John M. Camplin, Esq.,
Rev. Peter Duncan,
John S. Elliott, Esq.,
William R. Ellis, Esq.,
Rev. J. W. Etheridge, Ph.D.,
Rev. Abraham E. Farrar,
Mr. Thomas Frid,
Rev. John Geden,
Rev. Joseph Hargreaves,
James Hoby, Esq.,

Rev. Israel Holgate,
James Hunter, Esq.,
John Hunter, Esq.,
Rev. Timothy C. Ingle.,
Thomas Knight, Esq.,
Mr. Peter Kruse,
Rev. John Lomas,
William F. Pocock, Esq.,
Rev John Rattenbury,
Rev. Richard Reece,
Richard M. Reece, Esq.,
Rev. George Scott,
Rev. Thomas H. Squance,
Mr. Vanner,
Greaves Walker, Esq.

Q. XXXI. Who are the **LOCAL COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT** for the *Northern Branch* of the Institution?

A. The President of the Conference; the President of the Institution; James Wood, Esq., one of the General Treasurers; John Burton, and John D. Burton, Esqrs., Local Treasurers; Local Secretary; the Didsbury Tutors and House-Governor, and the following Ministers and Gentlemen:—

T. Allen, Esq., Macclesfield,
 Rev. W. O. Booth, Manchester,
 T. P. Bunting, Esq., ditto,
 W. Cheesborough, Bradford,
 C. Cooper, Esq., Manchester,
 T. Crook, Esq., Liverpool,
 J. Fernley, Esq., Manchester,
 James Garstang, Esq., ditto,
 James Heald, Esq., M.P., Parr's Wood,
 Rev. F. J. Jobson, Manchester,
 J. R. Kay, Esq., Bury,
 John Lomas, Esq., Manchester,
 Rev. P. M'Owan, Liverpool,
 Rev. G. Marsden, Glossop,
 G. Marsden, Esq., Manchester,
 J. Marshall, Esq., Stockport,

Rev. W. Naylor, Manchester,
 Rev. R. Newstead, ditto,
 Rev. George Osborn, ditto,
 P. Rothwell, Esq., Bolton,
 Rev. W. W. Stamp, Liverpool,
 G. Turner, Esq., M.D., Stockport,
 Rev. W. Ververs, Manchester,
 A. Vickers, Esq., Disley,
 Rev. S. D. Waddy, Sheffield,
 Rev. D. Walton, Bolton,
 Rev. F. A. West, Huddersfield,
 J. P. Westhead, Esq., M.P., Manchester,
 E. Westhead, Esq., ditto,
 Rev. R. Wood, ditto,
 Peter Wood, Esq., M.D., ditto.

EDUCATION.

Q. XXXII. What are the Resolutions of the Conference on the subject of **WESLEYAN EDUCATION**?

A. 1. The Conference adopts the following Resolutions of the Special Meeting of the Committee of Education, held in Hull, on Monday, July 24th, 1848, and, by adjournment, on Thursday, July 27th, 1848:—

(1.) “The Report of the Committee having been read, resolved,—That this Meeting receives with much satisfaction the Report of the proceedings of the past year, of which it declares its general approval.

(2.) “That the Conference be respectfully requested to authorise and direct the Committee of Education to apply to the Committee of Council for all such aids as may be obtained from the Government, under the Minutes of Council, towards the erection and annual support of the Wesleyan Normal School in Westminster, according to the general plans and principles presented to this Meeting.

(3.) “That the Conference be respectfully and earnestly requested to sanction the adoption of such measures as may be necessary, in order to provide for the estimated deficiency in the funds likely to arise in the execution of the plans and estimates as already prepared and now generally submitted to this Meeting; and, further, to instruct the Education Committee to examine with great care the estimates of Income and Expenditure, with a view to ascertain their accuracy, and to provide, as far as possible before commencing the buildings, against any future and contingent embarrassment.”

2. The thanks of the Conference are presented to the **REV. JOHN SCOTT**, the Chairman of the Education Committee; to the **REV. SAMUEL R. HALL**, the Treasurer; to the **REV. JOSEPH HARGREAVES**, the **REV. THOMAS VASEY**, the **REV. JAMES GILCHRIST WILSON**, and the **REV. MICHAEL C. TAYLOR**, the

Secretaries; and to the members of the Acting Committee; for the zealous and faithful manner in which they have discharged the duties of their respective departments during the year.

3. The REV. JOHN SCOTT is re-appointed the Chairman of the Committee; JAMES HUNTER, Esq., and the REV. JOHN RATTENBURY, are appointed the Treasurers; and the REV. THOMAS VASEY, the REV. J. GILCHRIST WILSON, and the REV. MICHAEL C. TAYLOR, are re-appointed the Secretaries, for the ensuing year.

4. The Committee shall consist of the following persons; viz., the President and Secretary of the Conference, the Rev. John Scott, (*Chairman*,) the Treasurers and Secretaries,

Rev. Dr. Alder,
 — William Atherton,
 — Dr. Beaumont,
 — Dr. Beecham,
 — Willson Brailsford,
 — John Brown,
 — Dr. Bunting,
 — William M. Bunting,
 — George Cubitt,
 — Abraham E. Farrar,
 — Benjamin Gregory, jun.,
 — Joseph Hargreaves,
 — Israel Holgate,
 — Elijah Hoole,
 — Timothy C. Ingle,
 — John Lomas,
 — John Mason,
 — Thomas Pennington,
 — George Scott, 1st,
 — Thomas H. Squance,
 — John S. Stamp,
 — Jacob Stanley, jun.;

James Heald, Esq., M.P.,
 Joshua P. Westhead, Esq., M.P.,
 Mr. Armstrong,
 Dr. Bennett,
 Mr. D. Birt,
 Mr. J. Chubb,
 J. S. Elliott, Esq.,
 W. R. Ellis, Esq.,
 Thomas Farmer, Esq.,
 Mr. Gabriel,
 P. Brames Hall, Esq.,
 James Hoby, Esq.,
 Mr. W. Luce,
 Thomas Knight, Esq.,
 Mr. P. Kruse,
 J. Lidgett, Esq.,
 R. Matthews, Esq.,
 R. M. Reece, Esq.,
 John Vanner, Esq.,
 Greaves Walker, Esq.;—

And, for the Country,

Rev. William Bacon,
 — William Barton,
 — Alexander Bell,
 — John Bowers,
 — Jonathan Crowther,
 — Dr. Dixon,
 — Joseph Entwisle,
 — Samuel R. Hall,
 — Dr. Hannah,
 — John P. Haswell,
 — William Illingworth,
 — Frederick J. Jobson,
 — Isaac Keeling,
 — George B. Macdonald,
 — Peter M'Owan,
 — James Methley,
 — William Naylor,
 — Robert Newstead,
 — George Osborn,

Rev. John C. Pengelly,
 — Charles Prest,
 — John Rigg,
 — John Stephenson,
 — William L. Thornton,
 — William Vevers,
 — Francis A. West,
 — Robert Wood,
 — Robert Young;
 S. Bennett, Esq., Bickerings-Park,
 W. Betts, Esq., Southampton,
 J. N. Brigg, Esq., Leeds,
 T. P. Bunting, Esq., Manchester,
 J. Burton, Esq., Leeds,
 J. D. Burton, Esq., Manchester,
 J. Carne, Esq., Penzance,
 C. Cooper, Esq., Manchester,
 T. Crook, Esq., Liverpool,
 James Henwood, Esq., Hull,

Henry Holland, Esq., Bristol,
 J. Irving, Esq., Bristol,
 J. R. Kay, Esq., Bury,
 John Mayson, Esq., Manchester,
 Mr. Alderman Meek, York,
 F. Parnell, Esq., Manchester,
 P. Rothwell, Esq., Bolton,
 Thomas Sands, Esq., Liverpool,
 Dr. Sandwith, Hull,

John Sercombe, Esq., Exeter,
 W. Shipperry, Esq., Worthing,
 George Smith, Esq., Camborne,
 S. H. Smith, Esq., Sheffield,
 T. Sowerby, Esq., Grimsby,
 T. Walker, Esq., Cheltenham,
 W. Walker, Esq., Bradford,
 James Wood, Esq., Manchester.

N.B. This Committee have power to add to their number.

5. The state of Education shall be considered at each annual District-Meeting, as directed by the Minutes of 1841; when the Circuit-Schedules on this subject shall be carefully examined, and transmitted, with one General District-Schedule, to the Secretaries, not later than the 15th day of June. (See Minutes, 1841, Vol. IX., p. 246.)

6. The Conference being aware of the inconvenience and distress, or even positive failure, which would probably result in cases where any other *item* of importance, beyond the *current expenses* of the School, might be required to be annually provided for, recommends to all Local Committees to aim, in the commencement of their respective undertakings, at having their School premises entirely free from debt; and, with a view to the securing of this object,—

The Conference directs the parties contemplating the erection of premises (or any expensive alteration or enlargement of premises already erected) for the establishment of *new* Schools, to communicate,—*First*, With the Education Committee, for the purpose of receiving suitable counsel as to the general eligibility of their projected undertaking, and the adaptation of the premises to the system of instruction designed to be adopted; and, *Secondly*, With the Chapel-Building Committee, for the purpose of receiving such advice and assistance, in regard to the proposed building-plans and estimates, as the experience of that Committee may enable them to give.

7. The following Ministers and Friends are particularly invited to attend a Special Meeting of the above-named Education Committee, which will be held in Manchester, at nine o'clock, A.M., on Monday, July 23d, 1849; viz.,—

Rev. Corbett Cooke,
 — Joseph Cusworth,
 — Henry Davies,
 — Thomas Eastwood,
 — John Farrar,
 — Thomas Harris,
 — John Hobson,
 — William Horton,
 — Robert Jackson,
 — William Lord,

Rev. George Marsden,
 — Richard Reece,
 — Barnard Slater,
 — Jacob Stanley, sen.,
 — Edward Walker,
 — Daniel Walton;
 Benjamin Agar, Esq., York,
 M. Ashton, Esq., Liverpool,
 Richard Bealey, Esq., Bury,
 G. Cannon, Esq., Bolton,

James Chadwick, Esq., York,
 W. Dyson, Esq., Howden,
 John Fernley, Esq., Manchester,
 George Fishwick, Esq., Garstang,
 S. R. Healey, Esq., Liverpool,
 R. Johnson, Esq., Manchester,
 W. R. Johnson, Esq., Liverpool,
 G. Knowles, Esq., Bolton,
 Mr. Lofthouse, Sheffield,
 J. Makinson, Esq., Manchester,
 Solomon Mease, Esq., Shields,

J. B. Sharpley, Esq., Louth,
 William Skinner, Esq., Stockton,
 George Smith, Esq., Leeds,
 William Smith, Esq., Leeds,
 George Turner, Esq., Stockport,
 W. Turner, Esq., Derby,
 Archibald Vickers, Esq., Disley,
 Richard Walker, Esq., Stockton,
 E. Westhead, Esq., Manchester,
 R. Wilson, Esq., Newcastle;

and any other Friends who are disposed to take an active part in the establishment and support of our proposed Day-School System.

Communications respecting Candidates for training to be addressed to the REV. THOMAS VASEY, *Sidney-Place, Stamford-Hill, London*. Applications for Teachers, and all communications from and respecting Teachers, to be addressed to the REV. J. GILCHRIST WILSON, 10, *Stepney-Green, London*. All other communications to be addressed to the REV. M. C. TAYLOR, 10, *St. George's-Terrace, Islington, London*.

UNITED COMMITTEES OF PRIVILEGES AND EDUCATION.

Q. XXXIII. What is the judgment of the Conference on the proceedings and decisions of the UNITED COMMITTEES OF PRIVILEGES AND EDUCATION during the past year?

A. 1. The Conference adopts the following Resolutions of the Special Meeting of the Committee of Education on this subject:—

(1.) “That the Committee has received with great interest and satisfaction the two Reports of the United Committees now submitted to it; and presents to the Officers and Members of these Committees its cordial thanks, for the labour, anxiety, and sound judgment which they have devoted to the consideration of the important matters brought under their notice; and resolves,

(2.) “That the Conference be requested to adopt and sanction the Deed No. 1, prepared under the direction of the United Committees, and approved by the Committee of Council on Education, as the Model on which all Wesleyan Schools, to be erected with Aid from the Government, shall be settled, and to which all such School-Deeds shall refer.

(3.) “That the Conference be requested to adopt and sanction the Deed No. 2, prepared under the direction of the United Committees, and approved by the Committee of Council on Education, as the Model Deed to be used for those Schools which may be erected without Government Aid, but for which the Local Committees may, afterwards, seek Grants towards the expense of tions, or enlargement, or for other purposes.”

2. The Conference also adopts the following conclusion embodied in the second Report of the United Committees :—

“ These United Committees record their conviction, that such answers have been given by the Committee of Council on Education to the inquiries submitted to them, and such guards have been sanctioned by their Lordships, that, without the compromise of any principle of Wesleyan Methodism, and without being subject to any impediment in the prosecution of those spiritual objects which the Wesleyan Body have always been anxious to promote by their exertions in the cause of Education, the way is open for Local Committees who may desire it, to avail themselves of the various advantages offered by the Government, in aid of local efforts for promoting the Education of the poor.”

CATECHUMEN CLASSES, AND PASTORAL CARE OF THE YOUNG.

Q. XXXIV. What does the Conference determine on the subject of **CATECHUMEN CLASSES, AND PASTORAL CARE OF THE YOUNG ?**

A. 1. The Conference republishes the following Resolutions of the Committee, which was specially appointed in 1846, to consider the Plans which had then been presented, and any other suggestions on the same subject:—

(1.) “ That this Committee is convinced of the obligation which rests on all Christian Pastors, to feed and take the oversight of the lambs, as well as the sheep, of the flock of Christ ; and of the necessity which exists for the adoption of some well-devised system, in order to the efficient discharge of this great duty.

(2.) “ That it appears desirable to provide some means by which the Young Persons belonging to the families composing our Societies and Congregations may be formally recognised as the subjects of pastoral care, and receive such instructions as may be suitable and necessary for them, without being regarded as accredited members, or having a claim to the privileges, of our communion.

(3.) “ That we therefore recommend, that an effort should be immediately made in every Circuit to commence a work of such acknowledged importance, by collecting at least one Class of Young Persons, of twelve years old and upwards, for whose instruction in Christian truth and duty the Ministers of the Circuit shall be responsible.

(4.) “ But as, in many Circuits, it may be found impossible for the Ministers to take charge of all those young persons who may be eligible for such Classes, or desirous of joining them, they shall be at liberty to employ suitable persons, in communion with ourselves, as Assistants either in the charge of existing Classes, or for forming additional ones, as may be found necessary : provided that

the Ministers in every case shall take care that the persons employed shall be decidedly religious, heartily attached to our Doctrine and Discipline, possessed of competent gifts for teaching, and desirous of qualifying themselves for this work to the utmost of their power; and also, that the subjects of instruction in the Classes shall be selected at the discretion of the Ministers, whose counsel shall be afforded to their Assistants in their preparations for teaching."

2. The Conference resolves, that a Committee be formed, for the general direction of this effort for the instruction of our young people; that they be authorised to issue Circulars and Schedules, for the purpose of obtaining the necessary information; that they be directed to take into their consideration the propriety of preparing Tickets for the members of Catechumen Classes, with a view to some plan to be laid before the next Conference; and that the following Ministers constitute the Committee:—

The Ex-President,
Rev. Jonathan Crowther,
— Dr. Dixon,
— Samuel Dunn,
— Dr. Hannah,
— Robert Huston,
— Robert Jackson,
— Frederick J. Jobson,

Rev. George Osborn,
— William H. Rule,
— Robinson Scott,
— William L. Thornton,
— Samuel D. Waddy,
— Thomas Waugh,
— Francis A. West.

RELIGIOUS OBSERVANCE OF THE SABBATH.

Q. XXXV. What Resolution does the Conference adopt in reference to the RELIGIOUS OBSERVANCE OF THE SABBATH?

A. That, convinced of the great and growing importance of a careful observance of the Lord's Day to the prosperity of the Church of Christ and of the Nation at large, the Conference appoints a Committee to watch over the general interests of the Sabbath, to observe the course of events in reference to it, to collect such information as may serve the cause of Sabbath observance, to correspond with persons who are engaged in similar designs, and to report from year to year the results of their inquiries, with such suggestions as they may think proper to offer to the Conference. The following Ministers shall constitute the Committee for the ensuing year:—

The President of the Conference,
The Secretary of the Conference,
Rev. Dr. Bunting,
— Jonathan Crowther,
— Dr. Hannah,
— Thomas Jackson,

Rev. Frederick J. Jobson,
— John C. Leppington,
— George Osborn,
— John Scott,
— William L. Thornton,
— R. Newstead, *Secretary*.

PASTORAL VISITATION.

Q. XXXVI. What further measures does the Conference

direct on the subject of the PASTORAL VISITATION of our Societies and Congregations?

A. The Conference approves and adopts the following Report of the Committee appointed by the Conference of 1846, to consider and present a "General Plan for securing in every Circuit a more regular and systematic Visitation of our people," who met in the Centenary Hall, London, on February 9th, 1847, and following days; viz.,—

I. That this Committee recognises the absolute obligation which is laid upon all the Ministers of our Circuits to secure, by mutual consultation and arrangement, such a general, stated, and efficient visitation of our people at their own dwellings, as is involved, as well in the scriptural command to "feed the flock of God," as in those other statements of the sacred volume, which in varied language represent Christian Ministers as the Under-Shepherds of Christ;—that this obligation has been solemnly confessed, both at the time when we received ordination, and also when on subsequent occasions our approval of the Minutes of 1820, in which this duty is detailed, has been acknowledged:—And that thus recognising the obligation, this Committee suggests, that the general ministerial duties of Circuits should in given cases be so allotted and arranged, as that families, especially among the working classes, which cannot be collected or found during the day, may be visited in the evening.

II. That notwithstanding the obvious benefits which accrue to our Connexion generally from our peculiar system of Itinerancy, and of stated and extensive Village Ministrations, its disadvantages as affecting this part of the Pastoral care must not be overlooked. Joining this circumstance to the facts, that since Methodism arose the habits of society are greatly altered, and that, even now, the disproportion between the number of Members and Pastors, comparing ours with other churches, is exceedingly great, this Committee is agreed, that it would be unreasonable to expect that personal visits of the Minister could, under existing arrangements, be made to *all the extent* that is desired;—especially when it is further considered, that many of our Members, from various causes, are not individually accessible; that numbers are employed in manufactories, and can only be visited at times when the Minister is unavoidably engaged in other duties; and that, in large towns especially, our Ministers have their time much occupied by claims from public and religious Institutions, in addition to their own indispensable ministerial duties and engagements.—On all these accounts it is incumbent upon our people themselves to render us their aid in removing difficulties out of the way, and in affording facilities for the accomplishment of this object.

III. That the difficulties arising from the causes just mentioned

have been greatly increased by the calls which have been made almost perpetually upon many of our Ministers for such labours as take them away from their own Circuits,—the preaching of Sunday-School and Chapel Anniversary Sermons, and the like,—involving the necessity of taking long journeys, occasioning frequent absences from home, and thereby subtracting from the time which such Ministers would otherwise have at their disposal for the visitation and special oversight of their own people.

IV. That it is painfully evident to this Committee, that in consequence of the ever-multiplying cares which now devolve upon our Pastorate, both of a spiritual and economical nature, and because of the great number of persons who stately worship with us, and yet have not joined our Societies,—who justly claim our attention, and yet are not reached by our usual Quarterly Visitation of the Classes,—no such full accomplishment of the object as the Conference desires can be realised without an *increase of Ministers*; and the Committee suggests, that our Circuit-Stewards and lay-friends generally should consider the best and most prudent means of procuring and supporting such an increase in their several localities.

V. That notwithstanding all the difficulties which have been stated, this Committee is, however, convinced, that by a wise economy of time, by a carefully arranged *system*, and by perseverance and energy, much *more* may be accomplished; and that in the present day the increased temporal cares and dangers of our own people, and their increased exposure to the manifold seductions of worldliness and error, make this additional zeal and energy on our part to be a matter of absolute necessity.

VI. That this Committee therefore respectfully suggests to the Conference the propriety of enjoining as follows:—

1. That the attention of the Class-Leaders shall be again particularly directed to that original Rule of our Societies which requires them to give stated information to the Minister of those members who are sick, or require to be specially visited.

2. That the conscientious and increased attention of our Ministers be directed to the Minute of the Conference in 1836, Q. xxvii., in reference to the “Occasional Visits of Preachers to other Circuits;” especially to that clause which enjoins our Ministers to restrict their engagements of this nature “*within such bounds as will consist with their paramount and indispensable obligations to their own Circuits.*”

3. That every Minister be required to see that the Class-Books are properly filled up and kept, especially with reference to the insertion of the names and residences of the members; and to make such use of these books as he may deem necessary for the purpose of Pastoral Visitation.

4. That the Ministers be exhorted frequently to direct their

attention to Mr. Wesley's Advices on the subject, contained in the Minutes of 1766, in which the objects to be attained by Pastoral Visitation are distinctly set forth, and the spirit in which it ought to be conducted is admirably inculcated.

5. That in the devotional exercises connected with their Pastoral Visits, the Ministers should introduce the reading of a suitable portion of the Holy Scriptures, as constantly as possible.

6. That each large Circuit be divided into Sections, according to a mutual arrangement to be made by the Ministers at their Weekly Meetings; and that each Minister be held responsible for the visitation of his own Section.

7. That, in harmony with the design of these regulations, the Quarterly Visitation of the Classes be made as impressive as possible, and used as the occasion of special admonition and instruction; and that no person shall be entered upon the Society-Schedule as a "backslider" upon slight or insufficient grounds, nor without particular inquiry into the case,—nor even, whenever it may be practicable, without a personal visitation on the part of one of the Ministers of the Circuit.

8. That this important department of ministerial duty be statedly made the subject of direct and specific inquiry and conversation, both by the Superintendents of Circuits in their Weekly Meetings with their respective Colleagues, and by the Chairmen of Districts in their several District-Meetings.

HOME MISSIONS.

Q. XXXVII. How may the MISSIONARY CHARACTER OF OUR HOME-WORK be better sustained, and its usefulness extended?

A. With a view to obtain additional means for the spread and support of the work of God, by the more extensive preaching of the Gospel in our own Country, especially in districts which peculiarly need such efforts, the Conference, after careful deliberation, resolves, that in Circuits where such a step may be considered to be practicable and expedient, the Superintendents and other Ministers may very advantageously hold, once a year, a Public Meeting, for the purpose of laying before our congregations and friends the necessity and duty of further exertions to meet the spiritual exigencies which so largely exist, and to increase, by an enlargement and extension of our established and usual system, the number of those who are sent forth by our body to evangelize the destitute portions of the land.

ATTENDANCE OF MINISTERS AT THE CONFERENCE.

Q. XXXVIII. As growing difficulty is likely to be experi-

enced, in consequence of the increased number of our Ministers, in providing the usual accommodation for such of them as may from time to time be authorised to ATTEND THE ANNUAL CONFERENCES, can any further steps be now taken in reference to that subject?

A. We very seriously feel the duty of paying a constant and vigilant attention to this matter, and of limiting, by some efficient means, the number of Ministers at each Conference, so as to prevent the entailing of material inconvenience or burden on our Friends, who kindly entertain the Ministers on such occasions. There seem to be, however, strong reasons against any *new* or *additional* restrictions, which necessity does not absolutely and immediately require. We have, therefore, revised our existing Regulations; and now agree to reprint them, as thus revised, in connexion with this Minute. We require our District-Meetings strictly and conscientiously to conform to them, and enjoin our *Chairmen* of Districts, in particular, to enforce them firmly and impartially; and we expect, from the prudence and good sense of the Ministers themselves, that, however they may laudably desire to participate in the incalculable benefits to be derived from a frequent intercourse with their Fathers and Brethren in our Annual Assemblies, they will not urge their wishes or claims in contravention of any of our established Rules; nor yet, *even within the limits prescribed by Rule*, to any such extent, as would be inconsistent with a due regard to the comfort and convenience of our Friends in the several Conference-Towns, and to our solemn obligations, as Christian Pastors, to respect the paramount claims of our Societies and Congregations upon our services and attentions.

“The District-Committees respectively shall have the right of fixing upon the Preachers who are to attend the Conference; subject, however, to the following limitations, viz.,—

“1. The expenses of going to and from the Conference shall be defrayed by the Circuits, or by the Preachers themselves.

“2. Let not all the Preachers from any Circuit ever come to the Conference, except, in very special cases, the District-Meeting shall decide that all the brethren in any Circuit ought to attend.

“3. Let those who have leave to attend set out as late, and return as soon, as possible.

“4. The Preachers on Trial shall not attend the Conference, unless sent for.

“5. Nothing in these Rules shall be so construed as to prevent those Preachers from attending the Conference, against whom there lies any accusation or complaint.

“The Conference directs that these ‘Revised Rules,’ on the subject of the attendance of Ministers at the Conference, shall be annually read by the Chairman in every District-Meeting, just

before the list is made of Preachers who are allowed to attend the following Conference. The District-Meetings are required to act strictly upon the Rules thus read. Every Chairman is directed to present to the President, during the first week of the Conference, a list of any Preachers in his District, who shall have come to the Conference in violation of these Rules, or without the consent of the District-Meeting."

The Conference requires the Chairmen of Districts to enforce the strict observance of those Articles of the Rules, especially, which enjoin that no Circuit shall be left without at least one resident Minister; and that those who are permitted to attend, shall be exhorted to "set out as late, and to return as early, as possible."

SPIRITUAL STATE OF THE CONNEXION.

Q. XXXIX. What is the judgment of the Conference on THE REPORT OF THE NUMBER OF MEMBERS IN SOCIETY?

A. The Report of the number of Members in Society was read, and considered at length; and the Conference adopted the following conclusions:—

1. While we rejoice to find, that in many Circuits, and in several Districts, there has been a considerable increase of Members, and while we unite in thanksgiving to God for the gracious and powerful visitations of His Spirit which have led to this result, we mourn over the painful fact, that our Churches do not flourish in respect of numbers and extension. It is again our painful duty to report a decrease in the number of Members in Great Britain, amounting to 518. We humbly acknowledge before God, that this declension must be chiefly attributed to supineness and unbelief, and to the want of fidelity to Christ in the use of His appointed means of revival and success. Yet we would guard against exaggerated views and unnecessary discouragement. We believe that we should sin against God if we failed to acknowledge, with devout gratitude and holy triumph in Christ, the blessing largely vouchsafed to the labours of His servants. It is ascertained that upwards of 70,000 annually enter into fellowship with us. All, however, are subject to a period of probation; and many do not abide with us, not consenting to walk according to our scriptural rules; and the remaining number is frequently not sufficient to supply the losses sustained by emigration, removals, death, and the departure of others from our communion.

2. We have made special inquiries as to the alleged and probable causes of the present defalcation in our number of Members. Some of these are causes beyond the control of man. The general or local depression and decay of trade, we have ever found to be

prejudicial to the extension of the Church. This cause has operated in some parts of the Connexion to a very serious degree. It has obliged a great number of our people, in common with others, to emigrate to our Colonies. In one District in England, the number of such emigrants this year amounts to 1,500; and in Ireland we have sustained a loss, from this cause alone, of 1,063. Many of these have removed to parts of the world where the means of grace are very scantily supplied; and we rejoice to know that there they have carried the knowledge of Christianity, and will be the means of blessing to thousands.

3. There are, however, some hinderances to the prosperity of Methodism, which it is in our power to remove or mitigate. These we have prayerfully considered; and while we earnestly call upon our people to unite with us in penitent confessions of personal unfaithfulness, we trust that they will also unite with us in the full use of every prudent means for the revival of the interests of religion among us.

4. We humbly resolve to seek a more complete preparation for the great work of the ministry; and especially that richer unction of the Holy One which we know is only vouchsafed to men who live near to God in faith and prayer; to aim at a more clear, fervent, and persuasive statement of the great truths of the Gospel; and to cultivate a believing expectation that the Holy Spirit will make every sermon a means of convincing and converting sinners, as well as of edifying the Church of Christ.

5. We further resolve to seek a closer union among ourselves, as Christian Ministers, laying aside all party spirit and prejudice, that there may be nothing in us that shall, by grieving the Holy Spirit, cause Him to withhold any measure of His gracious influence.

6. That we will cultivate more fully the spirit of Christian Pastors, so that our intercourse with our people, both in public and in private, may be to edification; and we will by every means endeavour to convince them that, as overseers of the flock, we are influenced only by the desire to save their souls, and to present every man perfect in Christ Jesus.

7. We again purpose, in all those matters of arrangement which more immediately concern the welfare of the Church, such as the appointment of Leaders, &c., to be guided only by regard to the spiritual interests of our people, choosing persons of established piety and zeal.

8. As we are fully satisfied that we suffer great loss in the removal of Members from place to place, we have seriously considered the subject, with a view to devise some remedy for this evil. At present we can only determine that in our Society Meetings we will frequently take occasion to impress the obliga-

tion of Members, on removing to other Circuits, to seek *immediate* admission into our Society.

9. We most affectionately call upon our people to aid us in every possible way in the great work upon which we purpose to enter with renewed zeal; to remember the ends for which God has made us a people; to consider our obligation to labour unceasingly for the conversion of the world. We exhort them to cherish the conviction that neither by the general efforts of the Church, nor by the assiduity of faithful Ministers, nor by the countenance and support of prudential means of doing good, can they be released from personal responsibility to Christ, and from making direct and individual efforts for the salvation of souls. We especially urge upon them the importance of renewed vigilance and prayer in the religious care of their children; to be satisfied with nothing less than that spiritual regeneration which the most religiously-educated as truly need as the most guilty and abandoned;—to abstain from those conversations and remarks in the presence of their children which tend to lessen regard for their Ministers as the Ministers of Christ; and rather to teach them to reverence and love them, not for their talents, but for their work and office.

10. We affectionately charge our people to assist us in the various means of revival of religion in our Churches, and of aggression upon the world; and especially to invite seat-holders, and persons occasionally attending our ministry, to become more closely united with us. Without any infringement of catholic love, we may prefer our own Church; and, believing it to be scriptural in its doctrine and discipline, and having made it our home and rest, we may consistently be earnest in our endeavours to attach our children to it, and to bring as many others as possible within its pale.

11. But we are deeply convinced, and the conviction has been increased by the events of another year, that our only perfect and effectual remedy is in the more powerful visitations of the Spirit of God. No change of our plans which would adapt them more perfectly to passing circumstances, can of itself insure success. The true Church is only increased in number by the conversion of sinners; and is only strengthened by the increased purity and zeal of its Members. Our first and greatest want is an increase of ardent piety, of intense zeal, of vigorous faith, and of the spirit of holy importunity in prayer. “Arise, O Lord, into Thy rest, Thou and the ark of Thy strength; let Thy Priests be clothed with righteousness, and let Thy saints shout for joy.”

12. The Special Services connected with the meeting of the Financial District-Meetings in September last, having been in very many instances attended with a remarkable blessing, in connexion with the next Financial District-Meeting, a day shall be set apart for the purpose of affording our Ministers an opportunity

of conversing on the state of the work of God, and of devising the best means of promoting its revival and extension, and for such Public Services as may be deemed expedient. And the Conference directs that these Resolutions shall be read in that Meeting, and carefully considered. The Chairman shall give early notice of the time when the District-Meetings are to be held, in order that such arrangements may be made for the Quarterly Visitation of Classes as will allow the attendance of as many of the Ministers in each District as practicable.

MISCELLANEOUS RESOLUTIONS.

1. *Thanks to the late President and Secretary.* Resolved unanimously, (1.) That the thanks of the Conference be affectionately presented to the late President, the Rev. Samuel Jackson, for the able, judicious, and faithful manner in which he has fulfilled his important duties both during the sittings of the last Conference, and during his subsequent year of office.

(2.) That the cordial thanks of the Conference be presented to the Rev. Dr. Newton, for his very able and highly acceptable services as the Secretary of the Conference during the past year.

2. *Official Sermons and Ordination-Charge.* (1.) Resolved unanimously, That the late President, the Rev. Samuel Jackson, be earnestly and affectionately requested to publish, in such manner and form as he shall judge expedient, the impressive Charge, which on Wednesday, August 2d, he delivered to the newly-ordained Ministers.

(2.) That the President, the Rev. Dr. Newton, be earnestly and affectionately requested to publish the Sermon which he delivered in Waltham-Street Chapel, on Sunday, July 30th.

(3.) That the late President be earnestly and affectionately requested to publish the Sermon which, on Monday, July 31st, he delivered before the Conference.

3. *Statue of the late Rev. John Wesley, A.M.* Resolved unanimously, That the Conference has learned with high satisfaction, that a Statue of the late Rev. John Wesley, A.M., pronounced by competent judges to be a beautiful piece of sculpture, and a faithful representation of the original, has recently been executed in white marble by Samuel Manning, Esq., of London. And having farther the gratification of being informed, that Thomas Farmer, Esq., of Gunnersbury-House, after securing the completion and purchase of the Statue at his private cost, now presents it to the Conference, for the purpose of its being placed in the Theological Institution-House at Richmond,—

The Conference hereby tenders its most respectful and affectionate thanks to Thomas Farmer, Esq., for the zeal with which he has exerted himself to obtain so desirable a Memorial of our

venerated Founder, and for the spontaneous and generous munificence with which he has presented it to the Connexion.

4. *Religious Privileges of Soldiers.* Resolved, That a Letter be sent to the Superintendent Ministers stationed in those towns where there are Garrisons or Military Detachments, informing them of the Standing Regulation of the Army, which allows the attendance of Soldiers at Divine Service in the places of worship of their own denomination,—and urging these Ministers respectively to take suitable measures for gathering into our congregations such Soldiers and Non-Commissioned Officers as desire the benefit of our ministry, in conformity with the intention of Her Majesty's Regulations for maintaining the religious privileges of this class of our fellow-subjects.

5. *President of the next Conference in Canada.* Resolved unanimously, That the Rev. Matthew Richey, D.D., be appointed the President of the next Conference in Canada.

6. *The Rev. William M. Harvard.* Resolved unanimously, That the cordial thanks of the Conference be presented to the Rev. William M. Harvard for his faithful, laborious, and valuable services in Canada.

7. *Connexional Documents.* The Chairmen of Districts are directed to ascertain what District-Minute Books, which are filled up, or other Connexional Documents of former times, are in the houses of our Ministers or elsewhere in the country, and to send them to Mr. Mason, to be deposited in the Fire-Proof Safe which is provided at the Book-Room for Connexional Documents.

STANDING ORDERS.

1. *Annual Return of Members in Society.* The number of Members in Society, and of persons admitted on trial, as taken at the *March* Quarterly Visitation in each year, and faithfully reported, by a presentation of the Circuit-Schedules, at the District-Meetings, shall be the number returned on the Minutes of the following Conference.

2. *Liverpool Minutes.* Resolved, that the Resolutions adopted by the Conference in the year 1820, and usually called the *Liverpool Minutes*, besides being read and considered in every Annual Meeting of the District-Committees, as our standing Regulations require, shall also be read once a quarter at the Weekly Meeting of Ministers in each Circuit, next following each Quarterly Meeting; and the Chairmen of Districts are directed to make inquiry concerning the due observance of this regulation.

3. *Rule of 1797 concerning Admission of Members.* Mistakes having occasionally arisen respecting the meaning of the Rule of 1797, on the subject of the admission of persons who are on trial as members of our Society, the Conference deems it necessary to repeat the statement, That it never was intended that the names

of all those who were on trial should be laid before a Leaders'-Meeting for distinct and formal discussion ; but solely this, That if there be, in the opinion of a Leader, any reasonable objection to the character and conduct of any person who is on trial, such objection may be stated by him; and that if the validity of the objection be established to the satisfaction of the Meeting, a Member's Ticket shall not be given to the person, so objected to, at that Quarterly Visitation.

4. *Schedules and Circulars for Connexional Business.* As it is obviously desirable that the Committees appointed by the Conference to manage the several departments of the business of the Connexion, in the intervals of its session, should be furnished with as much statistical information as possible on the subjects of the matters of business severally confided to their care, the Conference authorises them, through their appointed Officers, to send, when they deem it expedient, suitable Circulars and Schedules to the Superintendents or to the Chairmen of Districts, as the case may require ; and directs the Superintendents and Chairmen duly to return such Schedules properly filled up.

5. *Reading of the Pastoral Address in Society-Meetings.* The Superintendents are directed to appoint a Special Society-Meeting to be held, at each principal Chapel in their Circuits, either in the afternoon of the Lord's day, or on some convenient evening of the week, for the purpose of having the Pastoral Address read to the Society, and made the subject of suitable remarks and exhortations.

6. In order to bring the state and progress of the work of God in every Circuit distinctly and regularly under the examination of the District-Meetings, copies of the *Printed Circuit-Schedules*, duly filled up, shall be annually produced, examined, and considered. The Chairmen of Districts are made responsible for the execution of this order ; and shall bring such Circuit-Schedules with them to the Conference, that they may be forthcoming, if called for. (See also Minutes for 1831, Q. xxv., Vol. VII., p. 67.)

7. *Minor District-Meetings.* The following addition to the Rule of 1793, on the constitution of Minor District-Committees, is unanimously adopted by the Conference ; viz.,—

That, in any case in which the Chairman of a District may deem it necessary to appoint a Minor District-Committee, should either party refuse or decline to choose two Ministers to act as members thereof, the Chairman is empowered and directed to nominate them, so that the number required by rule may be made up.

8. *Candidates for Admission on Trial.* Those Preachers who are recommended for admission on Trial shall preach in the presence of at least three of the Ministers of the District-Committee, (at or about the time of its Annual Meeting in May,) to be selected by the Chairman, (exclusively of the Superintendents by whom the

Candidates respectively are proposed,) and a special report of their Sermons shall be made in the District-Meeting, and immediately forwarded in writing to the London Committee of Examination.

9. *District-Meetings of 1849.* It is resolved, that all the regular Annual Meetings of the several District-Committees shall be held between the 13th and 20th of May, 1849, with the exception of the Lincoln, the North Wales, and the Second South Wales.

10. *Preachers on Trial to have proper opportunities for receiving the Lord's Supper.* The Conference having been informed that in several Circuits the Preachers on Trial have very rarely an opportunity for receiving the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper, resolves that, in compliance with a former injunction on this subject, the Superintendents be required to make the necessary arrangements in their Circuit-Plans, for securing to their junior Colleagues proper facilities for partaking of this holy Sacrament.

11. *District-Minutes.* The Chairmen of Districts are peremptorily required to procure *three* complete copies of the Minutes of the several Annual and other Meetings of the District-Committees, duly signed by the Chairman and Secretary. One of these copies shall be inserted in the District-Records; a second shall be reserved for the use of the Chairman and Financial Secretary at the Conference; and a third shall be delivered to the Sub-Secretaries, on the Wednesday preceding the Conference, and by them to the President during the first week of each Conference, to be preserved, under his direction, as a document appertaining to the Connexion. The several copies of the last class shall be written on foolscap paper, that they may be annually bound together in one volume.

12. The Superintendents of those Circuits in which the Conference may from year to year assemble, shall, with the previous approbation of the President, (as already required by rule,) complete and print, not later than the 15th day of June in each year, a Plan of the order of preaching in the principal chapels during the session of the Conference; and shall also, on or before the above date, inform every person whom they may have appointed to preach in those chapels, of the time and place of such appointment. And in order that the Plan thus prepared may not be violated, to the disappointment of our friends, and to the great inconvenience of other parties concerned, no Minister who attends the Conference shall be at liberty to make an engagement to preach in any other Circuit, either on the Sabbath, or on any other day, during the period appointed for the meeting of the Conference, or of its various Preparatory Committees, at the time for which his name shall be inserted on the Conference Plan.

13. The Chairmen of Districts are enjoined to make particular inquiries at their Annual Meetings in reference to all the points of

Discipline specified in the first Article of the Answer to Q. xxviii., in our Minutes of 1825.

CONFERENCE OF 1849.

Q. XL. When and where shall our NEXT CONFERENCE be held?

A. In Manchester, commencing on Wednesday, July 25th, 1849, at Nine o'clock, A.M.

Signed in behalf and by order of the Conference,

ROBERT NEWTON, D.D., *President*,
JOSEPH FOWLER, *Secretary*.

Hull, August 11th, 1848.

The PRESIDENT's address is, *Stockport*; and the SECRETARY's, *23, City-Road, London*.

ORDER OF COMMITTEES FOR 1849.

The COMMITTEES preparatory to the next Conference are appointed to meet in Manchester, as follows;—(subject, however, to any change of the particular order, days, or hours, here specified, which the PRESIDENT, giving due notice to the parties concerned, may find it expedient to make;) viz.,—

1. *Stationing Committee*, Friday, July 13th, at nine A.M.
2. *Kingswood and Woodhouse-Grove Schools' Committee*, (p. 73,) Wednesday, July 18th, at five P.M.
3. *Contingent Fund and Children's Fund Committee*, (p. 85,) Thursday, July 19th, at nine A.M. and five P.M.
4. *Chapel Affairs, including Chapel-Fund, Chapel-Relief Fund, and Chapel-Building Committees*, (pp. 77, 78, 79,) Friday, July 20th, at nine A.M.
5. *Book Committee*, (p. 76,) Friday, July 20th, at five P.M.
6. *Auxiliary Fund Committee*, (p. 90,) Saturday, July 21st, at nine A.M.
7. *The Sabbath Committee*, (p. 102,) Saturday, July 21st, at three P.M.
8. *The Catechumen Committee*, (p. 102,) Saturday, July 21st, at five P.M.
9. *General Education Committee*, (pp. 98, 99,) Monday, July 23d, at nine A.M. and five P.M.
10. *Special Missionary Committee of Review*, (p. 71,) Tuesday, July 24th, at nine A.M.
11. *Annual Meetings of the Trustees of the two Institution-Houses*, Tuesday, July 24th, at three and four P.M.
12. *Theological Institution General Committee*, (p. 96,) Tuesday, July 24th, at five P.M.

N.B. 1. The Secretaries of the several Funds are directed to meet in Manchester, on Wednesday, July 18th, for the purpose of preparing for their respective Committees the accounts of their several departments.

2. The Rev. Isaac Keeling, the Rev. John Farrar, and the Rev. William Barton, our Sub-Secretaries, are directed to attend at the same time, for the purpose of compiling from the District-Minutes various Lists, &c., which will facilitate the business of the Committees, and of the subsequent Conference.

3. The Chairmen of Districts are required to bring, or send, *in time for the meeting of the Secretaries of the several Funds*, on Wednesday, July 18th, perfect copies of the District-Minutes, and an account of the Numbers in Society in the several Circuits of their Districts, as taken at the March Visitation in 1849.

LIST OF GENERAL COLLECTIONS AND SUBSCRIPTIONS FOR 1848-49.

THE following are the usual and regular Collections which are to be made in all our Circuits during the ensuing year; viz.,—

1. The private Donations in the Classes, in behalf of the Worn-out Ministers' and Ministers' Widows' Auxiliary Fund, shall be entered in the Class-Books at the next September Visitation, and collected in the month of October. (See Q. xxv., A. 2, pp. 90, 91, of these Minutes.)

2. The Private Subscriptions and Public Collections for the Kingswood and Woodhouse-Grove Schools, &c., are to be made in the *early* part of the month of November, 1848; and the amount should be immediately remitted to the Rev. Charles Prest, (whose address is, 11, *Storey-Street, Hull*,) one of the General Treasurers for the School-Fund, according to the directions given under Q. xii., p. 74, of these Minutes. *It is particularly requested, that all Bankers' Bills may be drawn payable on some Bank in London, and not in Hull.*

3. The Annual Subscriptions, due January 1st, and occasional Donations, for the Wesleyan Theological Institution, are to be solicited in every Circuit in the first or second week of January, 1849; and *forthwith* remitted to the Rev. John Farrar, at the *Wesleyan Theological Institution, Richmond, Surrey*.

4. The Annual Private Subscriptions and Public Collections for the United Chapel and Wesleyan Education General Fund are to be made in the month of February, 1849; and the whole amount should be immediately remitted to Messrs. Marriott and Wood, *Bloomsbury, Oxford-Road, Manchester*, who will pay the Moiety thereof, as now required by the recent Rule, to the Treasurers of the Education Fund.

5. The Yearly Collection in all the Classes is to be made

as usual at the March Visitation, and the money to be paid at the District-Meetings in May.

6. The Private Subscriptions for the Mission-Fund are to be received in all our Circuits, either weekly, monthly, quarterly, or annually, as is most convenient to the Subscribers. The annual Public Collections for that Fund are to be made in all our chapels, and other preaching-places, at the time of the Anniversaries of the several Auxiliary or Branch Societies; or, where no Public Meetings of that kind are held, in the month of May. The money so raised must be remitted *through the hands of the District-Treasurers*, to Thomas Farmer, Esq., and the Rev. John Scott, the General Treasurers, whose address is, *Wesleyan Centenary Hall, Bishopsgate-Street within, London*.

7. The Private Subscriptions for the Auxiliary Worn-out Ministers' and Widows' Fund, are to be solicited in the first week of June, 1849, and a list of Subscriptions sent to the Secretary, not later than the 30th of that month. (See Q. xxvii., p. 93, of these Minutes.) The money is to be paid on or before the first day of the Conference to the Financial Secretary of the District, and by him to Messrs. Wood and Scott, the Treasurers.

8. The Collection in aid of the Contingent Fund, for the support and spread of the Gospel in *Great Britain and Ireland*, is to be made in all our chapels and preaching-places, *not later than the second Sunday in July, 1849*; and the money is to be paid, *on or before the first day of the Conference*, to the Financial Secretaries of each District respectively, and by them to the Treasurers of the Contingent Fund, Messrs. Vickers and Cusworth.

THE ANNUAL ADDRESS OF THE CONFERENCE TO THE METHODIST SOCIETIES.

BELOVED BRETHREN,

YEARS roll away, and bear us all onward to our final account. This reflection renders the issuing of our Annual Address a duty neither trivial nor void of anxiety; and the more especially, as of all the years which the present generation has seen, that which is now current seems to be one of the most momentous. The firmest and oldest institutions of society are shaken; truths supposed to be the most acknowledged and self-evident, are re-examined; the sources of authority are all explored; the real church and the real world are becoming more antagonistic in their relative position; and in the excitement and struggle attendant on all this, men are learning from the teaching of Divine Providence, that human nature can never create its own peace. We in particular learn how vast is the importance and deep the consolation of belonging to "a kingdom that cannot be

moved;" and we would stir up ourselves and exhort you, to secure a mutual and permanent portion in this abiding kingdom. The present is especially the time to renew our repentance, re-act our faith, and repeat our closure with Christ in all His saving offices;—to review our life, and, in unison with a most minute confession of unfaithfulness and sin, to commit ourselves once more to the infinite mercy procured by the Blood and Intercession of the Redeemer.

We thankfully acknowledge that since we last met, those of you who are in office have shared our toils, and strengthened our hands in the Lord; and that you all have generally contributed to sustain our Connexional Funds, and thus to save our evangelical operations at home and abroad from being paralysed by financial embarrassment. In all this you have lost nothing. In such a course you rather acquire a more deeply-principled piety, together with a growing conviction that the noblest work of a Christian man, in the world, is to sustain the cause of Christ, and perpetuate as well as extend the ordinances of the Gospel; and that worldly competency and social influence are to be desired mainly with a view to this end. We cordially thank our Local Preachers for their Sabbath labours, our Leaders for their weekly help in the care of the Classes, our Sunday-School Teachers, Tract Distributors, Visitors of the Sick, and all other fellow-labourers, for their self-denying services. We notice with encouragement your attendance in increased numbers and with augmented interest and devotion on the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper. We behold with the same feeling your generally consistent demeanour; and record with grateful acknowledgment the fact that those who have been removed from us by death, have mostly been enabled to bear a triumphant testimony to the truth of the doctrines which we preach, and to obtain a complete victory over the last enemy. For you and "for the work of Christ" we live.

The confidence which subsists between us and you, designing and selfish men have endeavoured to shake, but in vain. We were taken from among you with your own approbation and consent; our strength and health have been employed in your service; and, next to the favour of God, your responsive affection has been our reward. Our interests are one and indivisible. We claim no authority over you but what Christ has given, in connexion with that work for the fulfilment of which it is necessary; and we assert our investiture with even this authority, no longer than as it stands united with His gifts. Between this declaration, and the deepest self-abasement and shame on our part before the Lord, we see no discrepancy. The spiritual and corrective discipline, which has so long been established in our Connexion, reaches ourselves; and unfaithful Ministers are no less censured and removed, than unfaithful and unrepenting members. It was our mutual

relation to each other that created our discipline, and not the discipline our relation ; and if at any time its administration should be felt a burden on either side, it would be well for us to examine, rather, whether our own love did not fail, than whether our peculiar law or usage needed an alteration. Where the spirit of the law is paternal, and appeals chiefly to filial confidence, it is better to keep that spirit vital and operative by living and walking in the light of the Holy Ghost, than by imitating civil legislation in its multitude of minor and arbitrary enactments. With you we trust to live and die, and with you to be buried; and our one great work on earth is to promote your edification and salvation, and to add to your fellowship those who shall be drawn by the preaching of the Gospel from the carnal and ungodly mass of mankind.

The last has been a year of Connexional peace, and, in many Circuits, of a comforting measure of prosperity. We have had to contend, in a greater degree than usual, against the disadvantages presented by extreme commercial distress, the opposition of bigoted brethren, and high political excitement; and we have been led anxiously to long for the coming of the Holy Ghost in His more glorious and awakening manifestations, and that, too, with the painful feeling that this fuller grace was still, through the sin of God's people, partially withheld. Yet, after all, the preaching of the truth has been with power; Societies long drooping have begun to revive; and many persons, "dead in trespasses and sins," have been truly converted and added to the Lord. The causes of hinderance to the work of God, which were mentioned and deplored at the last Conference, have not indeed been so fully, or so early in the year, counteracted, as to enable us to report a net increase of members; especially as emigration abounds more than ever both from Great Britain and Ireland. Our numbers exhibit a total of Five Hundred and Eighteen less than last year; but the large number on trial shows that a gracious work of awakening and conversion has taken place to cheer us under our perhaps too unbelieving anxiety. What need for a work like this to increase and grow, when we reflect upon the state of our own country!—the infidel press pouring fourth its pollution;—the minds of thousands, among the working classes and the ignorant, kept in a continual ferment by political propagandists, who, sympathising with the revolutionary principles which distract France and the continent of Europe, would fain bring this United Kingdom into like confusion;—the great towns and cities increasing the masses of their population in a ratio which all the efforts of Christian zeal fail to overtake; and the habitual desecration of the Sabbath, which leads them further and further from God. There is a loud call for a zeal similar to that which animated the venerable Wesley and his successors: there is abundant need that Methodism

should decline the temptations of friends, and disregard the threatening of foes, so far as either would interfere to draw it from its one original purpose of spreading holiness throughout the land by evangelical and unwearied labours.

It affords us satisfaction to observe, that, amidst all the changes which are taking place around us, *we* have no change to moot. From our Rules of Society we have no word to erase, and scarcely would we add one to them; not from a superstitious regard to that document as proceeding from the pen of our Founder, but because the precepts inculcated therein are so obviously and directly taken from the word of God, and refer so entirely to catholic, as distinguished from sectarian, Christianity, that their authority remains unimpaired and unaltered in all the varied progress and perturbation of human society. Whatever questions of public interest may be raised and discussed, we, as a people, are unquestionably pledged, by our standing Rules, to the avoidance of evils such as the following,—profaning the Lord's day, the indulgence of sinful luxury at the table, especially the sensual use of stimulating liquors, unbecoming costliness or extravagance in dress, angry contention, dishonesty in business, and defrauding the revenue, speaking evil of brethren and of Magistrates, covetousness, reckless borrowing, and conformity to the world. Those Rules, also, bind us continually to do good in such ways as are implied in the following courses:—feeding the hungry, clothing the naked, instructing and reproofing the spiritually ignorant, sympathising with and aiding the household of faith, diligence both in the fulfilment of relative obligations and in the spiritual service of God, self-denial, and a constant attendance upon all the public and private means of grace. These are such immutable duties of Christianity, that their omission could never be suffered without compromising Christian integrity, and putting our final salvation in peril; and that they may be continually brought before us, we wish, nay, we affectionately enjoin, that not only a copy of the “Rules” be put into the hands of every new candidate for membership, but that the document itself be frequently and carefully read by each Leader in full class-meeting, selecting, as the best time for that purpose, the first week after each Quarterly Visitation.

We are so far from thinking that Wesleyan Methodism ought to oppose itself to that prevailing desire of mental advancement and social improvement, which now actuates all classes, that we believe its humble but sacred destiny is to contribute towards the sanctification of the whole. But it has a sphere of progress of its own, and we exhort you here to accelerate that progress; not by removing the “ancient land-marks” of a godly discipline which has hitherto so safely hedged us in; not by refining upon doctrines which have had upon them the Holy Spirit's seal and approbation

through a century of eventful religious history, and which are powerful in proportion as they are held and taught with unostentatious simplicity; not by indulging in uncertain religious speculations which distract, rather than create, faith; not by forsaking, from views of civil polity, a position in relation to other communions which long experience has shown is the best for carrying out the design of our original calling; but by yourselves rising on the wings of spiritual affections into closer communion with God; assuming the dignity of "a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people;" and then, by expanding breadthwise in ardent love to man, and in all labours which give form to, and embody, that love. There is much spiritual land yet to be possessed, as to our individual experience. There is much territory on earth now covered with darkness which yet remains to be won to Christ. Here is *our* world, and sphere of progress.

During the agitations of the year, and while disloyal and disaffected men have been endeavouring to allure the humbler classes of our fellow-countrymen to take part in their schemes, and have sought to excite them against their rulers, it has given us unspeakable pleasure to behold your spirit and conduct so entirely on the side of order and attachment to the Throne and Constitution. You have responded to the prayers and intercessions which have been offered in public worship for the welfare and peace of our beloved Sovereign, the Queen, for the preservation of her rule, and for the Divine blessing upon the counsels of her Government, and its defence against faction and violence. You have offered similar intercessions in your own social and domestic worship; and while you have thus united with the contrite and devout of other churches in approaching the throne of grace, and laying open the sorrows and interests of your country there, prayer has been heard, God has defended this land for His name's sake, and saved us from anarchy and social tumult. We exhort you, beloved brethren, to continuance in this course. In doing so, you obey the plainest precepts of Scripture, and follow the example of our Founder. In the troubles and agitations which were consequent upon the first French Revolution, and co-eval with the wars of the Continent, our Societies and their Ministers then rendered no small service to the cause of loyalty, good morals, and religion, in "walking by the same rule." To this, at the present period, we believe that by Divine Providence we are specially called. We are bound to the British Constitution by many ties of strong attachment. We regard it as a wonder of wisdom, and raised up for more than a secular purpose; combining a very large amount of liberty to the individual, with security to life and property, and the unity and good government of the whole. Still, beloved brethren, commend your country to the mercy and direction of the King of

kings. In prayer lie our preservation and defence. Confess before God our national transgressions; lament the sins of your country as your own; deprecate deserved wrath; and appeal to the great Intercessor for a continuance of that favour which has been, alas! so justly forfeited. At the same time, in your loyalty to the Sovereign of the British empire, remember you are bound in supreme devotion to the Lord Jesus Christ, His regal person, and spiritual kingdom. In all the anxieties of the times, confide in His supreme and remedial sway, knowing that all things are subject to Him, and that "He must reign till He hath put all enemies under His feet;" that He sitteth "upon the flood, yea, the Lord sitteth King for ever;" and that it is characteristic of His administration, "with righteousness" to "judge the poor," and "reprove with equity for the meek of the earth." If you are in sorrow and trouble, you are cast, not only upon our sympathies, who are "bound with you," but upon the compassion of our exalted and sympathising Intercessor, who, in the ways of His inscrutable providence, will either work out your temporal deliverance, or make affliction itself subsidiary to your sanctification and salvation.

In exercising your functions as Christian citizens, that is, in maintaining what you believe to be right, and seeking to alter or amend what you believe to be wrong, in the administration of civic and national affairs, we exhort you to yield yourselves rather to the spirit of prayer, and entire deference to the teaching of holy Scripture, than to the bias and theory of any party. Do not needlessly run into the arena of political controversy. Long experience has shown, that in such a sphere few can preserve their purity and peace uninjured. When a fit occasion presents itself, honestly, peaceably, and humbly act your part; and then leave the issue with the wise Disposer of all things, and go back into your own tranquil course of religious duty,—that of doing and getting good.

If Christian brethren of some other denominations solicit us as Ministers to join them in their organized opposition to the continued union of the Church of England with the State, our reply to them is this,—that our spiritual charge is too absorbing, and at the best too imperfectly fulfilled, to allow of our entering on such a course; that personal peace and spiritual gifts are too precious to be thus endangered, when a wide and only half-tilled field of practical and evangelical labour lies before us; and that, as our middle position between the religious parties of the land, which we have held from the beginning, was not of our own seeking, but of providential appointment, we cannot abandon it without a manifest call. In these sentiments we believe we have your acquiescence, and by these your own conduct is generally determined. In our view Christianity is a system of absolute TRUTH

and LAW, as well as of goodness and mercy; and therefore we regard with complacency both the national or legal acknowledgment of its claims, and the private or voluntary extension of its influence. Let us look at our own land, with its unevangelized, ignorant, and Sabbath-breaking millions; let us turn to our Foreign Missions, and everywhere see our brethren, in the work, exposed to the excitement of a determined struggle with the Pagan, Infidel, and Popish Antichrist, looking to be aided by our prayers, advice, and reinforcements;—and then inquire if there be not too much cause for anxiety about our own vineyard, to allow of our going out of our direct path to take counsel respecting another. Asserting like the Apostles of our Lord our unquestionable right to religious liberty, and like them maintaining it; with them, likewise, we are content to go on in preaching Christ, leaving other projects to be tested by the results of that doctrine. And with regard to the annoyances which we and our people may receive from High-Church follies and assumptions, while reserving to ourselves the right of bold and indignant appeal against them in the proper quarter, we mainly confide for their counteraction to the influence of the truth itself: “The truth shall be our shield and buckler.” We have a deep sympathy with the spiritually-minded and single-hearted of our Nonconformist brethren, notwithstanding the injurious reflections which have been cast upon us in some of their official periodicals; nor is our interest less in those who within the Established Church declare the great doctrines of the evangelical covenant, and enforce them by a consistent and blameless deportment. All who teach and live thus are on our side: the acquisition of them is to us clear gain. Romanism and Infidelity are gathering darkly around our borders; and we have a right to our own allotted vantage-ground, and would use it by imploring all parties to exercise forbearance and self-restraint in everything but preaching and teaching Christ, and exhibiting the power of godliness. With this supreme object in our own minds, suffer us further to exhort you to such practical courses as may now be more minutely stated.

Sacredly observe the Lord’s day. “To write to you the same things” is to us indeed “not grievous,” but, because of the mournful necessity which exists for so doing, “for you it is safe.” The spirit of modern legislation has hitherto been adverse to any civil enactment for suppressing the violation of the Sabbath, notwithstanding the intimate connexion of this institution with public order and morals, and though Sabbath trading and labour are generally proved to be unremunerative and fraught with loss. Yet we rejoice in the fact, that a Bill for disallowing the sale of liquors on the forenoon of the Lord’s day has recently passed both Houses of Parliament; thus giving evidence, that the attention of the Legislature is now partially directed to the subject.

The people of God are especially called to exhibit a strong and practical testimony to the truth on this very point, in order to maintain a powerful moral influence, and thus supply, as far as possible, the lack of Christian law. Avoid all household labours, the opening of commercial letters, the taking of needless journeys, travelling on railways, and the use of public and private carriages, as far as it can be done, on this sacred day; and, in reference to all doubtful and disputed points of practice, fully imbibe the spirit of the Sabbath,—be with St. John “in the Spirit on the Lord’s day,”—and this will set you right as to the letter. Whatever distracts your mind and lessens your delight in God, to you is sin. The Sunday Newspaper and Public Garden or Promenade, among you should not be so much as named. Let the Sabbath be “a delight, and honourable;” let your estimate of it be very influential and striking. With your families “worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness,” in the morning as well as in the evening service; and you will not only realise a blessedness which infidelity and carnal delight can never yield, but hold up a solemn monition and lesson to that infidelity and carnality itself.

We desire to encourage you in a zealous and affectionate care of our Sunday-schools; as well from a conviction of their vast importance, as from believing that your own Christian character may be greatly improved by exertion in this department of duty. We regard these schools as being, in the present state of society, nurseries for the church, and effective in proportion as intelligence and piety are brought to bear upon their management, and as they are made to harmonise in their operation with public worship, and all other paramount and divinely-instituted ordinances. We enjoin upon our younger brethren in the ministry especially to aid you, as far as their time will allow, with their influence; both by personal visits to, or public addresses in, the schools, and by friendly counsel, or communication of evangelical knowledge, to the Teachers, when they require it. We earnestly exhort those of you who have been favoured with a good education, whether male or female, to join in this great and good work. Your position in society will give you influence; and your circumstances may enable you to give effect to those benevolent and hallowed promptings of the heart towards the children of the poor, which are sure to be awakened in such an association. You will endure toil and practise self-denial, it is true; but who can be a Christian without the experience of both? But then you will have the rich reward of the affections of those young persons whom you are the means of comforting, saving, and assisting; you will strengthen the tie between the middle and lower classes of our Christian people,—a tie which wicked men are, alas! too often attempting to sever; you will be benefactors to your country, most efficient auxiliaries to your Pastors, and preparing yourselves for the occu-

pation, in after-life, of the honourable position of fathers and mothers in Israel. In the Church of Rome it has been no unfrequent circumstance for persons of title and exalted rank to devote themselves to the work of teaching their tenets to the ignorant among the poor ; and shall we allow ourselves to be exceeded in zeal and love by those whom we deem to be in fearful and dangerous error? To you, chiefly, likewise, we are compelled to look for co-operation in instituting and maintaining those Classes, for the special religious awakening of young persons, which are called Catechumen Classes ; the orderly and regular institution of which was sanctioned at our last Conference. Already they are in partial operation ; and yield, where they are well established, very hopeful and pleasing results ; and it is desirable, to augment those results, that they should be conducted by persons who have ardent love to the souls of youth, a delight in the study of Scripture, and a facility of communicating what they know and feel as to its facts and doctrines. These qualities may generally all be acquired if we begin in time, and in dependence upon God ; and to their acquisition we would urge and encourage you, both for your own and for Christ's sake. Thousands of grateful hearts wait to respond to your efforts. Our Missionaries hasten to make known Christ to the Heathen ; while a wide field of hallowed, though subordinate, toil is spread before you in your own land, where you may reap rich fruit, and lay it up unto eternal life. At the same time, this must never supersede the zealous and prayerful efforts of Christian Parents to train their own children, even to the period of advanced youth, in the nurture and admonition of the Lord. The influence of Mothers, especially, in the formation of the characters of young persons, is an agency of paramount importance, which Scripture does not fail to recognise, and involves a duty and responsibility which cannot be delegated to others without incurring guilt.

Considering, likewise, the past pledges which we have given on the subject, as well as remembering the intrinsic claims of the case, we trust that the work of general Education, on our own principles, will not be allowed to slumber amongst you. The Day-Schools that have been established are, with few exceptions, working well ; and everywhere, of course, working best where the greatest aptness and efficiency are found in the Teachers. Our Committee of Education are now taking steps, in the exercise of the powers committed to them, towards the establishment, in the metropolis, of a Normal Seminary for the training of Teachers,—an arduous, but necessary, design ; and they trust that in this and all other connected attempts to promote, in our own way, the great cause of scriptural education in the towns and villages of the land, they shall be seconded by your sympathy and co-operation.

Bear with us, beloved friends, if we say that one important means of usefulness has not been sufficiently cared for amongst us,

—the extension of the Gospel by means of the press. We are favoured in being permitted to send out a large amount of light and truth into the heathen world, from the printing establishments on our foreign stations, by publications in various native languages; and our cheaper periodicals at home have acquired a circulation which excites our gratitude and hope; but still a great machinery for doing good remains comparatively unemployed. Let our people, according to their means, possess themselves of the best writings of our own and other Ministers; let them read, lend, and recommend our standard works; and, while the periodical literature of the land is so largely devoted to the cause of infidelity, ungodliness, and civil disorder, let them extend still more the diffusion of those Magazines which are adapted to the industrious classes, promote the institution of Local Loan Tract Societies, and thus cast salt into the bitter waters that swell around us, and endeavour to heal them. Let persons of taste and judgment amongst us study this subject; and if they possess wealth or competence, let them not neglect the expenditure of a suitable portion of their money in this department; or, if they are gifted with literary ability, let them consider how it may best be employed at a time when Satan is making his grandest assault upon the cause and religion of the Lord Jesus Christ.

In several recent instances in which new chapels have been erected in spiritually needy and neglected neighbourhoods, the happiest effects have followed in the conversion of sinners and the enlargement and quickening of the Societies; and when we remember that the preaching of the Gospel of Christ, as distinguished from all minor and conventional philanthropic enterprises, is God's paramount ordinance for the salvation of men, it cannot but appear that a prudent and healthy extension of effort in this respect is exceedingly desirable. From experience of the evil and embarrassment which have been produced by heavy chapel-debts, we should strongly reprobate such unguarded speculations in chapel-building as have led, on former occasions, to their occurrence; yet, where affluence or pecuniary ability lies dormant, where a vast population is unprovided for, where the Gospel, proclaimed by our instrumentality, would be gladly hailed, and where provision can be made for the increase of Ministers, as well as increase of accommodation, there we believe is a clear providential call to enlarge our borders. Let our people, in large towns and cities, especially, lay this matter to heart. But we earnestly exhort that all such proposals and plans should be subjected to, and guided by, that authorised board of the Connexion,—the Chapel-Building Committee; whose wisdom and experience in matters of this nature give the best guarantee for prudent and safe action.

Finally, and above all, dear brethren, live a holy life, and prepare to die a safe and happy death. What is our Connexion,

and what any well-working religious mechanism, and what the most spiritual ordinances, unless we are saved from sin, and have the world beneath our feet? If we have indeed “received the Holy Ghost,” then let us “walk in the Spirit,” “live in the Spirit,” and bring forth “the fruit of the Spirit.” If at any time He be grieved, and partially withdraw Himself, let us, both in private and in public, join in the solemn Litany of the universal church, to plead for His more efficient visitations, convinced that without Him we are “wretched, and miserable, and poor, and blind, and naked.” Innumerable objects of interest invite our attention: the stir and distress of nations, the whirling eddies of speculative opinion, the mysterious march of Divine Providence, the struggles of the Roman power, the passages of unfulfilled prophecy;—these for a season may occupy our contemplation; but, after all, we have higher work. We have to seek and find mercy, to live under its power, and breathe its reflex influence. “Be still, and know that I am God!” “Go thou thy way until the end be;” “Follow thou Me;” “Every one of us must give account of himself to God;”—these are words that recall us from the stupor of amazement, and the apparent chaos of distraction, to our right posture at the Master’s feet, and to the conviction that Repentance, Faith, and Holiness comprehend the highest and ought to be the most absorbing concern of high and low, rich and poor, Ministers and people. We conclude by commending you and ourselves to the care of the great Chief Shepherd, praying that when He shall appear, you may “receive a crown of glory that fadeth not away;” and remain now, as always, your servants for Christ’s sake.

Signed on behalf and by order of the Conference,

ROBERT NEWTON, *President*,
JOSEPH FOWLER, *Secretary*.

Hull, August 11th, 1848.

THE ANNUAL ADDRESS OF THE IRISH CONFERENCE TO THE BRITISH CONFERENCE.

VERY DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN,

BEING now assembled in our Annual Conference, with the sanction and under the superintendence of the great Head of the church, we feel it to be our pleasing duty to address you, we trust, with all Christian affection and respect; and hereby express the continued regard which we, as a body of Christian Ministers, entertain and cherish towards you.

Your encouraging and highly-valued Address was heard and received by us with the most lively interest and heart-felt gratitude. Your paternal affection and brotherly kindness; your recognition of our unity with you, as a ministerial body; the just apprehension

which you have of our peculiar position; and the deep sympathy which you express on behalf of our unhappy country; have elevated and cheered our drooping spirits, and encouraged us to persevere in our arduous toil.

You have indeed made common cause with us, supported us in time of trial, lifted up our sinking heads amidst surrounding famine, pestilence, and death; and now, in this day of "rebuke and blasphemy," it inspires us with renewed energy to know assuredly that we have an interest in your united and faithful prayers. Brethren, "pray for us; for we trust we have a good conscience, in all things willing to live honestly."

At the present crisis in the history of this land of spiritual darkness, and consequent degradation,—a crisis in which licentiousness would destroy liberty, anarchy displace rule, and abounding iniquity overflow all that is righteous in our country,—a crisis in which Popery and Infidelity have openly and professedly combined to repudiate British connexion, trample on constituted authority, treat our rulers with insolence and contempt, and aim at overturning the institutions of the empire,—it surely becomes us, as faithful followers of our venerable Founder, and guardians of the principles left us by our fathers, unitedly and cordially to declare, not only our unabated, but increasing, attachment to you, as our fathers and brethren in this ministry; and also to the Constitution of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, which makes us of one nation as we are of one heart. With you we acknowledge but one Sovereign, the Queen, whom may God bless! one House of Lords, one House of Commons, one kingdom, and one undivided people. Organized agitations and revolutionary threats have only pressed us more closely together, and awakened our energies afresh, in support of union, law, and order. As Christian men and Ministers, as followers of the ardent and consistent loyalty of Wesley, and as disinterested lovers of our country, we cling to and rejoice in the Union, because it is essential to the greatness and stability of the empire, the prosperity of commerce, the perpetuity of Protestantism, and the operations of our well-adapted system to the moral wants of Ireland.

The natural tendency of principles and theories in opposition to these sentiments, would be to give ascendancy to "the Man of Sin," hand over our country to the unrestrained tyranny of Priests, drive the Protestants of Ireland from her soil, and speedily produce a dissolution of our Societies and Connexion.

Nothing, in our judgment, can ever heal the wounds of this afflicted land, remove the poverty and degradation of the people, and raise them into healthy and vigorous action, but the unadulterated truths of the ever-blessed Gospel of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Every remedy, without this, must fail; and we trust the day is not far distant when the peasantry of the South

and West of Ireland will embrace the simple truths of our holy religion, the want of which leaves them in melancholy contrast with the Bible-reading population of Ulster. To effect the ultimate regeneration of Ireland, to implant principles of Divine truth in her moral soil, to destroy her debasing superstitions, and to free her sons from spiritual thralldom, is the great object at which we aim. To this end we resolve, in the name and strength of Christ, to persevere, to endure every privation, to encounter every difficulty, to rush into every opening, and to cry aloud to perishing multitudes, "Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world."

Although our Divine Master, in the course of the last year, has given us many souls for our hire, we have again to lament a serious defalcation in our numbers. Various causes may be assigned for this. The lingering influence of the previous calamity has robbed us, during this year, of many of our people. The activity and zeal of other evangelical parties, who are better able than ourselves to establish schools, and to call forth additional labourers, in the Irish field, may be also noticed as a partial cause. The poverty resulting from the pressure of famine and pestilence, has contributed its share towards this result; inasmuch as many, through mistaken notions of independency, are unwilling to be found amongst us, while unable to contribute to our funds. But the chief cause arises from the fact, that society generally, in Ireland, is at the present time in a state of transition. The agitated state of the country has paralysed trade, and produced additional poverty and distress. Multitudes have expatriated themselves, through dread of coming evils, and a desire to enjoy peace and prosperity. We look, however, to the great "Captain of our salvation," that He may enable us to keep a firm stand, and not lose one spot where we or our fathers formerly erected the standard of the Cross. And although some of our Societies, in consequence of poverty, death, and emigration, are reduced to a mere staff, yet, as good soldiers of Jesus Christ, we trust to recruit our ranks, to enlarge the army of the faithful, and never to give up the contest, until Ireland shall bow down in submission at the feet of our all-conquering Lord.

We have to record the death of four of our Brethren in the ministry in the course of this year. One of these died full of years, in peace with God; and another exchanged mortality for life, and thus finished his trial of faith, before the termination of his period of probation amongst us. The other two were called to their eternal reward in the midst of their days and usefulness: active, laborious, and faithful as they were, "the Judge of all the earth" deemed it wise and fitting to remove them from the church militant to the church triumphant. O that we may follow them in all meekness and lowliness of spirit, as they followed Christ!

To supply our ranks, four young men of respectable talents, and considerable promise of usefulness, were, after due examination of the most satisfactory character, received into full connexion with the Conference, and solemnly set apart to the work of the ministry by imposition of hands. The whole service, on this occasion, was deeply impressive, highly instructive, and well calculated to show forth the great responsibility and importance of the ministerial office in the church of Christ.

Seven candidates, having been well recommended by the several District-Meetings, were unanimously approved by the Conference. All of these young Brethren, with one from the Northern Branch of the Theological Institution, have been appointed to Circuits. Thus the Lord continues to raise up new labourers, to supply the place of those who have died in the Lord, or of those who, in consequence of infirmity and years, have been placed on our list of Supernumeraries. Five Brethren have, by the sanction of this Conference, retired from the regular work.

We cannot but glorify the God of our fathers, for the grace and wisdom conferred on our highly-esteemed and venerated President, the Rev. Samuel Jackson. In the course of our proceedings, cases of unusual interest came before him; which demanded sound judgment, patient investigation, and firmness of purpose in the maintenance of our discipline. His conduct, in every instance, commanded our warmest approbation. The power, persuasion, and Divine influence which accompanied his public ministrations will be long remembered both by Preachers and people.

While we deeply regret the absence of one whose "praise is in all the churches," and whose presence we would have hailed with joy,—namely, the Rev. Dr. Bunting, who was appointed by you to accompany our beloved President,—we have again cause of the highest gratitude for the visit, and the Connexional and public services, of the Rev. Robert Newton, D.D., your honoured Secretary, and our faithful, valued, and long-tried friend. Every additional visit endears him more and more to the members of this Conference. His unabated interest in us, and in all our affairs, calls forth increasing thankfulness; his knowledge of our Connexional matters renders his counsel invaluable. May the good Lord long spare his honoured and useful life both to you and to us.

Your Missionary Deputation, appointed last Conference to visit Ireland, consisting of the Revds. Thomas H. Squance, George Osborn, Alexander Bell, Jesse Pilcher, and John Gostick, was eminently acceptable and efficient, both in the pulpit and on the platform. Our identification with you in this great enterprise is thus exhibited, the common salvation made known, and the importance of Missionary efforts impressed on the minds of thousands of our countrymen.

In connexion with this great work, we cannot pass over the

diligent, faithful, and persevering labours of your Superintendent of Missions and Schools in Ireland, the Rev. W. O. Croggon, without an expression of our approval. His active habits of business, firmness of character, well-known punctuality, and obliging disposition, peculiarly qualify him for the station you have assigned him; and urge us to request his appointment for another year.

We send, as Representatives to your Conference, our beloved Brethren, the Revds. Thomas Waugh, John F. Mathews, and John Greer. They enjoy our highest confidence, and are intimately acquainted with the affairs of our Connexion.

And now, very dear Fathers and Brethren in the Lord, we separate from this Conference, deploring our own inefficiency, mourning over our want of greater success in the course of the last year, and lamenting the crimes, wants, and woes of unhappy Ireland. We feel humbled in the sight of our heavenly Father, and fully resolved, by His grace assisting, to prosecute, with renewed energy, the work which He has assigned to each of us. The power and presence of His Spirit manifested during our Conference, the fresh supplies in filling up vacancies in our ministerial ranks, and our unanimity in the maintenance of discipline, accompanied with the conviction that God has marked out our path, and appointed our work, animate us with lively hope of witnessing brighter and better days. United in faith, love, and solemn determination to pray for a general outpouring of the Holy Spirit, we cannot cast away our confidence. Our fathers saw darker days than even those which we now see. They trusted in the Lord: He heard and answered their prayers, revived His work, and gave them the desire of their hearts. We also trust in Him, and feel confident that He will revive us again. We claim the fulfilment of His promise, "Lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world." He who hath called us, will not forsake us; but will send down upon us "the early and the latter rain." He will guide us by His providence, supply our wants in the wilderness, and enable us to follow the pillar of cloud by day, and the pillar of fire by night. Our enemies cannot overcome us; for "the best of all is, God is with us."

Signed on behalf and by order of the Conference,

JOHN F. MATHEWS, *Secretary.*

Dublin, July 1st, 1848.

THE ANSWER OF THE BRITISH CONFERENCE TO THE ADDRESS OF THE IRISH CONFERENCE.

VERY DEAR BRETHREN,

IN acknowledging your welcome Address, which was read in our assembly on the first day of session, allow us to assure you that our

hearts respond to the sentiments of esteem and of love which you have expressed. The events of the last year cannot fail to have deepened our sympathy in your behalf; while the present circumstances of your afflicted country supply an appeal for earnest intercessions, of which your companions "in the kingdom and patience of Jesus Christ" must feel the touching force. We desire grace to bear you on our minds, as we daily approach the throne of our common Lord. And this we pray, especially,—that, amid the trials of your peculiar service, you may be sustained by Almighty Power, and enabled to "finish" your "course with joy, and the ministry which" you "have received of the Lord Jesus, to testify the Gospel of the grace of God."

It is needless to remind you,—and yet, in our wish to discharge the offices of fraternal and most affectionate condolence, we may refer to a consideration already familiar,—that your succours depend not on external things. "Your joy no man taketh from you." The occurrences which the Redeemer's providence permits,—and permits, we cannot doubt, with the design of subordinating them to the establishment of His own "quiet and peaceable reign,"—shall not be permitted to intercept those communications which alone can prepare His servants for the course of duty to which He points them. On the contrary, it is our privilege to remember that our "merciful and faithful High Priest" makes His grace abound, for the supply of all His people's need. So it has been in your past experience, as in the history of the church from the beginning. With confident hope, then, no less than with devout anxiety, we still commend you to God. "Grace be unto you," and unto your beloved charge, "and peace, from Him which is, and which was, and which is to come; and from the seven Spirits which are before His throne; and from Jesus Christ, who is the faithful Witness, and the first-begotten of the dead, and the Prince of the Kings of the earth."

On an occasion so solemnly and sorrowfully marked as the present, you will forgive us if references to the more ordinary topics of our correspondence be abridged. Not that these are of declining interest and value. We appreciate them, as you do; and we shall not cease to think, with grateful joy, of your determination to "stand in the ways, and see, and ask for the old paths,"—to preach the atonement without reserve, and without addition,—to take opportunity of proclaiming, in "the highways and hedges," the truth that saves the soul,—to magnify the Holy Spirit's offices, and to seek His yet richer baptisms. As supplementary to the ministry of the word and to the sacraments, you well know the importance of those means of Christian fellowship which enrich Methodism. In order to secure the designed benefit, it is indeed imperative that these be maintained with unwearied spirituality. And our experienced friends, on both sides of the

Channel, are best aware that the excitements of this age render it most important to keep up the habit of searching inquiry into our own religious state. Let this be done in our inestimable class-meetings; and, above all, in much secret intercourse with Heaven. "Come, my people," says God, in the voice of passing events, "enter thou into thy chambers, and shut thy doors about thee: hide thyself as it were for a little moment, until the indignation be overpast."

The resolution you have taken is wisely practical. Events of recent European history, to which we know of no parallel, might easily beguile us into fruitless speculation as to the future. It is very far from our judgment to discourage the careful, patriotic, Christian review of public occurrences; or to underrate the habit of taking heed to the "word of prophecy," "as unto a light that shineth in a dark place." It is less satisfactory, however, to find instances in which uncertain questions divert the activity of good men from the work to be done, or their attention from the great and primary doctrines of a LIVING CHRISTIANITY. The word of salvation, in its ancient simplicity and power, is to be held forth. Without the dubious aid of formal controversy, THIS confutes errors which impotently claim to be venerable in age, or authoritative by the suffrages of men. And it is to be observed, that THE VERY WORDS OF INSPIRATION come home, as with a power and glory all their own, so with an adaptation to every exigency of our service that may well remind us of an Apostle's admonition, "If any man speak, let him speak as the oracles of God."

Our tender sympathy is due to you, in review of the diminished numbers in your Societies. Recent experience, happily unusual, qualifies us to feel much on this subject. That strict inquiry should be excited by this state of things, is certainly most reasonable. Numerical reduction can never be thought of, without painful solicitude. The churches of Christ are far too slowly advancing: the world is not made duly to feel their influence, or to partake their grace. Yet, with the disposition to mourn over our own defects, and to record the vows of a deeper devotion, we may humbly advert to some considerations which explain our report, and in some degree relieve our distress.—Of those who have died in the Lord, it is glorious to think: they have escaped from all the pain and peril of life; and they are but for a season divided from those who are following their triumphant spirits to heaven.—But many have left your shores for distant lands. They go, attended by your prayers; and with your solemn charge to remember, in the ends of the earth, the God of their fathers. These emigrant witnesses for Christ may be rendered a blessing beyond all calculation; like the expatriated believers of the primitive age, who "travelled as far as Phenice, and Cyprus, and Antioch," preaching the Lord Jesus. To this important end

your communications with them, as opportunity serves, will materially contribute. Thus, while the enfeebled Societies within your own island are cherished with kindest care, in order to their recruiting and revival,—their former members, now separated from you by mountains and oceans, will not be forgotten; and mutual prayers will avail on high. Each member of the scattered host will be benefited in feeling a continued union with all the rest; yea, with “the whole family in heaven and earth.”—As to cases of a different class, we cannot with indifference see our members alienated; but, in the spirit of genuine Methodism, we can heartily wish success to all evangelical agencies: “For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision availeth anything, nor uncircumcision, but a new creature. And as many as walk according to this rule, peace be on them and mercy, and upon the Israel of God.”

The calamities which have fallen on your island have given your English friends occasion of testifying their true regard. We glance at this, as one of the points introduced in your Address; and simply to re-assure you of the ready and cordial love with which our little aid was rendered in behalf of your suffering flocks. One of the benefits derivable from so afflictive a visitation, is the new evidence arising to show that “whether one member” of Christ’s body “suffer, all the members suffer with it.” Our poorest brethren and sisters, throughout the entire Methodist community, we would affectionately implore, under any and all circumstances to maintain their union with the Society. Thrice welcome to our fellowship are those whose ability to support the common cause fails their willing mind. Enough, if they share the honour of the church in Smyrna, and hear the Master say, “I know thy works, and tribulation, and poverty,—BUT THOU ART RICH.” Let not sorrow be permitted to drive ANY from that communion in which, by grace, they shall find succour and sympathy which the world knoweth not. We trust that the objects of our present anxiety will be kept in the church,—in the ark of safety which, notwithstanding all the violence of the diluvial waters, is destined to outride the storm.

There are seasons in which the precious testimonies of Scripture apply with power and sweetness never to be forgotten. So felt the leader of the German Reformation; and, after him, let us comfort ourselves by thinking of the “everlasting covenant” made with us by Israel’s God, “even the sure mercies of David:” “God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Therefore will not we fear, though the earth be removed, and though the mountains be carried into the midst of the sea; though the waters thereof roar and be troubled, though the mountains shake with the swelling thereof.” Amid these tumults and convulsions, “there is a river, the streams whereof shall make glad the city of God, the holy place of the tabernacles of the Most

High." Blessed be God, who vouchsafes some tokens of His presence with you. In former days of alarm and agitation, when the attention of holy and discriminating men was much fixed on the signs of Providence in regard to coming events, it was with reason argued, that among the tokens of a country's approaching desolation is *the decay of religion in its professing churches*. Humbly, but gratefully, we hail each existing proof that our united Societies are not departing from God; that their fervour, devoutness, and love are unimpaired. Deep humility, leading us to confess our manifold sins and the sins of our people, may consist with a grateful acknowledgment of all that God has done for us. In this way we learn anew to trust in His almighty arm. We may look with apprehension to the issue of passing things; but Jesus, the Lord and Husband of the church, "shall not fail nor be discouraged." Let us fear Him, and none beside. Trembling at His word, dreading to grieve His purity, most anxious to observe every monition of His will,—let us renew our allegiance, in assured hope that every difficulty will yield to Almighty Love. "The mountains shall depart, and the hills be removed; but My kindness shall not depart from thee, neither shall the covenant of My peace be removed, saith the Lord that hath mercy on thee."

Amid the deepest feelings, which we attempt not to express, your beloved Representatives left our assembly. Alarming rumours, received on the third morning of our session, called them home. Our earnest prayers have ascended, and still ascend, for our Reverend Brethren, for their domestic and religious connexions, and for your troubled land. Need we assure you that we long to see Ireland tranquillised, blessed, regenerated? or that we feel, with you, that the real want lies deeper than the general eye is wont to look?—Perhaps we have not duly honoured Christ as "the Head over all things to the church, which is His body, the fulness of Him that filleth all in all." His members cannot be forgotten of Him. He can give quietness in the midst of agitations; rendering even these the means of ripening our graces, and of preparing us for the encouragements of larger success. It is not uncommonly remarked, that great characters are formed in arduous circumstances. And we may venture to believe, that thus will be fostered that high ministerial excellence which the times require. Your affecting reference to a sense of unworthiness—a feeling which we largely partake—indicates the spirit which, by the grace of Christ, prepares for the solemn work before you. Our sense of feebleness must stimulate us to diligence in applying whatever powers we have; and especially, in seeking the influence which makes the simple wise, and the weak mighty. We are refreshed by the allusions, in your closing paragraphs, to tokens of blessing. Fight on, dear Brethren, our fellow-soldiers engaged in a critical part of the battle-field; and, whatever struggles may

yet await you, the victory is sure. You are honouring the appointed instrumentality for the saving and renewing of our race. **THE TRUTH**—that which claims this august title, amid all that is true—must be still proclaimed, as in the early days. The Gospel which, eighteen hundred years ago, won its beneficent way through the known world, and prevailed beyond the utmost trophy of the Roman power,—which, after ages of inactivity and slumber, blessed the nations of Western Europe with the glories of the Reformation,—and which awakened the British isles by the ministry of our fathers,—has lost none of its power. According to the judgment of our Reverend Founder, **SALVATION BY GRACE THROUGH FAITH** “strikes at the root” of the many-branching error that threatens you: this “drove Popery out of these kingdoms; and it is this alone that can keep it out.” Do our experience and observation go to refute this statement? We anticipate your reply. We all gather round the throne of truth; re-affirm the sufficiency, the supremacy, the sole authority, of holy Scripture; and implore grace to be faithful in a service from which nothing but death must separate us. Let us cherish the spirit of faith, and preach **THE WORD** with full confidence of its effectiveness. “According as it is written, I believed, therefore have I spoken; we also believe, and therefore speak.”

Our efforts may be well directed to the increase of such agencies as may tell on the Irish-speaking population; and to the general circulation of the Bible, and of well-chosen religious tracts. But on such points, confessedly of highest importance, we need not dwell. The review of early Irish history, the injuries inflicted by ignorance and superstition on many districts of your beautiful country, and the impressive contrast offered by its more Protestant province,—all serve to commend those long-tried plans on which your labours have been hitherto pursued. Your quiet energy shall not be put forth in vain. The result, if apparently distant, will not be slight or casual. “Behold, the husbandman waiteth for the precious fruit of the earth, and hath long patience for it, until he receive the early and latter rain.” And we know that, in the spiritual husbandry, “he that goeth forth and weepeth, bearing precious seed, shall doubtless come again with rejoicing, bringing his sheaves with him.”

Your loyalty—simple, holy, consistent—has been long approved. It will remain, amid the shocks which might impair an attachment of inferior principle and piety. The changes that now agitate Europe seem tending, in almost any event, to weaken that power with which you are engaged in earnest though noiseless conflict. Nor can we think that even a temporary triumph will be allowed to those who would drive Protestantism from your coasts, or dissolve a legislative Union which the peace, the true liberty, and all the real interests, of your community seem imperatively to

require. Yet, if your trials become fiercer, and the light of primitive truth seem for a season eclipsed, let us still trust that God will ere long cause you "to triumph in Christ," and will make "manifest the savour of His knowledge by" you "in every place." From your joys and griefs, your life and death, He will derive His revenue of glory. Even "the wrath" of your mis-calculating foes He will cause to "praise" Him; and "the remainder of wrath" He will "restrain."

Amid what circumstances this Address will be read in your next assembly, we can, however, little calculate. We presume not to pierce the dim, eventful future. In these British isles, so long favoured, we mourn to see aggravated sins which attract the vengeance of God. This view of a thrilling subject we maintain, and we hope ever to maintain, against the atheism which assumes the name of philosophy. God moves in the changing and troubled scene around us. Famine, disease, and war, are among the instruments He employs. Once the Assyrian was "the rod of His anger;" and, by His decree, Babylon became "the hammer of the whole earth." To Him "the shields of the earth" still "belong;" and "the wicked" continue to be His "sword." Are there not then, resulting hence, certain reflections of most pathetic interest!

Looking around, we tremble to think of the prevailing pride, unbelief, and licentiousness. We cannot appear in the searching sight of Him who has recorded our unfaithfulness to His call, our neglect of His indicated designs, our guilty unwillingness to "hear the rod, and who hath appointed it." And, if the righteous were diminished, or obviously removed from stations of public influence; if there were visible a decay of virtuous patriotism, a languor in the churches, a growth of indifference, a suspension of aggressive effort; if the awakening Spirit had taken His flight,—or if His few remaining warnings, while marked by extraordinary solemnity, were powerless to arouse a slumbering nation; our hopes might be extinguished. But in these realms there are many lovers of Zion, and of Sion's Lord; and they "sigh" and "cry," not in vain, "for all the abominations that be done in the midst thereof." Abraham's God is as compassionate as when He said of a guilty city, "I will not destroy it for ten's sake." Let His saints stand forth: let them lay hold on the young, and train these for the imminent warfare: and let all pray for the spirit of Martyrs and Apostles. At once instructive and animating is it to trace the characters of those who have been screened and rescued, in other days, amid general terror and desolation. They were eminently devoted to God,—they were marked by the power of pleading faith,—they were unfaltering amid prevalent unfaithfulness. The
 Noah, Daniel, and Job, still listens to His own elect. He
 how to deliver the godly out of temptations, and to

reserve the unjust unto the day of judgment to be punished." For the just He has a smile, serenely bright in the wide-spread darkness. It may please Him literally to fulfil His ancient word,—"Thou shalt not be afraid for the terror by night; nor for the arrow that flieth by day; nor for the pestilence that walketh in darkness; nor for the destruction that wasteth at noon-day. A thousand shall fall at thy side, and ten thousand at thy right hand; but it shall not come nigh thee. Only with thine eyes shalt thou behold and see the reward of the wicked." Or, God may take His saints "from the evil to come;" "hiding" them "in the grave," and "keeping" them "secret, until" His "wrath be past." Or, again, if they be involved in a general affliction, the character of the visitation will be changed. A divine of a former age thus supplies comfort and encouragement:—"Though nature may startle at the rushing violence of the blast, yet it is but the noise of the chariot-wheels sent to convey me home. It is my Father's chariot, though it should be a flash of fire, like Elijah's; my Father's voice, though He spake in a whirlwind, as to Job..... And, though I may die in a common calamity, yet I shall die in peace, as good Josiah, who, though he fell in battle, is said to be gathered to the grave in peace."

But, beloved Brethren, we hope better things than some of these allusions may suggest. We hope for the speedy pacification of Ireland, the uninterrupted integrity of the empire, and the prosperity of our united churches. Abstaining from all that might needlessly irritate, and seeking ever to maintain a peaceful and Christian influence on all around, you will still intercede, even for the restless and the ungodly around you. Your efforts of tender and unwearied kindness will be still put forth for their welfare. Who can sound the mercy of God? or conclude that He will not grant a yet protracted day of warning and of grace? At least, your prayers will return into your own bosom.

We appoint our honoured President, the Rev. Robert Newton, D.D., accompanied by our Secretary, the Rev. Joseph Fowler, and one of the Missionary Secretaries, to attend your next Conference; and in the list of our Missionary Deputations are included the following arrangements:—For the North of Ireland, the Revds. Joseph Stinson and Robert Inglis; for the South, the Revds. George B. Macdonald and John Gostick; and for the West, the Rev. William Moister.

Farewell, Brethren beloved and honoured for your "work of faith" and "patience of hope." We humbly trust to meet you with joy in the day of the Lord Jesus. Your heavenly home is the more attractive, in contrast with "the sufferings of this present time." "To you it is" indeed "given, in the behalf of Christ, not only to believe on Him, but also to suffer for His sake." "But the God of all grace, who hath called us unto His eternal glory

by Jesus Christ, after that ye have suffered a while, make you perfect, stablish, strengthen, settle you! To Him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen."

Signed on behalf and by order of the Conference,

ISAAC KEELING,
JOHN FARRAR,
WILLIAM BARTON, } *Sub-Secretaries.*

Hull, August 11th, 1848.

ADDRESS OF THE CONFERENCE OF THE WESLEYAN-METHODIST CHURCH IN CANADA IN CONNEXION WITH THE ENGLISH CONFERENCE TO THE CONFERENCE IN ENGLAND.

REVEREND FATHERS AND BRETHREN,

We gratefully acknowledge the receipt of the Address of your President, and the Minutes of the proceedings of your Committee on Canadian Affairs. We thank you most cordially for the courteous reception you gave to our late Representatives; for the care and kindness with which your Committee investigated all the matters pending between you and us; for the conclusions at which that Committee arrived for the consolidation and extension of Wesleyan Methodism in Western Canada; for the important aid you propose to afford to us in our councils and labours by the appointment of a President and Superintendent of Missions; and for the Christian liberality and generosity with which you have resolved to assist us in promoting the work of God in our new and extending fields of labour.

We heartily thank you also, Rev. Fathers and Brethren, for appointing one of the General Secretaries of your Missionary Society, the REV. DR. ALDER, as your Representative, accompanied by the REV. M. RICHEY, A.M. We assure you that, though differences of opinion may have existed between those honoured Brethren and ourselves on some questions relating to our affairs in Western Canada, yet that difference has never been personal; and we rejoice to receive DR. ALDER in the high character with which you have invested him, and gladly record our sense of the ability and courtesy, the frankness and brotherlyness, with which he has represented your views and interests, conferred with us on the important objects of his Mission, and strength in expressing our obligations to Brother RICHEY for his aid and assistance in our deliberations, and we shall be happy to have him associated with us in any office to which you may

think proper to appoint him. DR. ALDER's visit will ever be associated with the most pleasing and grateful recollections; and our earnest prayer is, that he may be restored to you and to his family in health and safety, that his valuable life may long be spared to promote the interests of the Church of Christ through the instrumentality of Methodism. It affords us unspeakable pleasure to inform you, honoured Fathers and Brethren, that, after long and prayerful deliberation, we have cordially concurred in and ratified the arrangement which was agreed upon in London between your Committee and our late Representatives, for the adjustment of past differences, and the consolidation of Wesleyan Methodism in Upper Canada in connexion with you. Kindness, unanimity, and the gracious presence of the Holy One have characterized our proceedings on this all-important subject. We believe our present oneness with you is sanctioned in heaven. We doubt not it will be perpetual. We unanimously resolve to do all in our power to make it so. It presents an animating and brilliant prospect of spreading scriptural truth and holiness throughout this noble country, becoming, as it is annually, the home of growing multitudes of your own children and hearers from the Parent State.

We have reason for thankfulness and congratulation on account of the unabated zeal and liberality with which all our institutions have been supported during the past year, and the success which has crowned our labours, resulting in a small numerical increase in our Societies. But that you may be fully informed respecting all our affairs, we have unanimously requested our beloved and honoured Brother, the REV. DR. ALDER, to act as our Representative at the next session of your Conference; and to his judgment and feelings we confide the task of communicating with you on our behalf.

We entreat an interest in your prayers for our perpetuated oneness, while we earnestly pray that the Divine blessing may crown with still wider success the vast and holy work which, by the wisdom and mercy of God, has been committed to your care.

Signed by order and on behalf of the Conference of the Wesleyan-Methodist Church in Canada, at Toronto, this 15th day of June, 1847.

JAMES MUSGROVE, *Secretary.*

ADDRESS OF THE BRITISH CONFERENCE TO THE CANADIAN CONFERENCE.

VERY DEAR BRETHREN,

YOUR letter, conveyed to us by the hands of your President, the REV. DR. ALDER, was read and considered by our late Confer-

ence; and the sentiments of affection and brotherly kindness which it breathes are heartily and sincerely reciprocated by your Brethren in this country.

We were truly thankful to God to hail among us, once more, the honoured Minister to whose indefatigable labours we, in common with yourselves, are so highly indebted for the happy and successful re-union of the two branches of the Wesleyan-Methodist family. That his health should have suffered as the result of his labours and journeyings, was a source of considerable uneasiness and anxiety to us; but, in answer to earnest prayer, his life has been prolonged and his health restored, and we are grateful to God for his safe return from his important mission. That, in the representation of our views he should have evinced "ability and courtesy," as well as "frankness and brotherly kindness," was in accordance with his well-known character. We desire to be thankful to Almighty God for the ability and fidelity with which he has been enabled to prosecute this arduous undertaking. We are also laid under deep and lasting obligation to the REV. MATTHEW RICHEY, D.D., for the assistance which he rendered to DR. ALDER, in the adjustment of these perplexing affairs. We have had the pleasure of intercourse with him, and have learned to esteem him as an able and faithful Minister of the Lord Jesus Christ.

At the close of our Conference, DR. ALDER was heard at length on the subject of his visit to you, and the important intelligence which he communicated was received with high satisfaction. It was cause of thankfulness that the arrangements made in London, in September, 1846, between our Committee on Canadian Affairs, which had been deputed with full powers to act on our behalf in this matter, and the REVDS. JOHN RYERSON and ANSON GREEN, who had been appointed by the Brethren formerly connected with our Conference, after ample explanation, and friendly and patient discussion, had met with the general and cordial approbation of all the parties concerned. We think it is not difficult to perceive, in this auspicious re-commencement of our union, and in the kindness and unanimity which marked your deliberations, the approval and presence of God the Holy Spirit, who maketh men to be of one mind.

It is our earnest hope and conviction, that the arrangements thus agreed upon will be carried into full operation in the same spirit of love and Christian brotherhood in which they have been proposed and hitherto conducted, and that the union will be complete and permanent. While it furnishes you with new opportunities of spreading scriptural holiness through your important and extended country, it may, by the blessing of God, prove a lasting benefit to your growing population, and particularly to the Indian tribes among whom our Missions have been established.—Let us

learn, dear Brethren, to attach additional importance to the *manifestation* of the unity which exists among all the true disciples of Christ, and let us anxiously seek the full accomplishment of His prayer, “That they all may be one; as Thou, Father, art in Me, and I in Thee, that they also may be one in Us: that the world may believe that Thou hast sent Me.” It is our earnest prayer and hope that henceforth we may be really and visibly one, and be enabled to realise in ourselves, and exhibit to other churches around us, that a living and everlasting union binds us to each other in the one “Holy Catholic Church,” which is “the communion of saints.”

We have by a cordial and unanimous vote appointed the REV. JAMES DIXON, D.D., to preside over your next Conference. We are persuaded that you will thankfully and joyfully hail this arrangement. We have long learned to appreciate his services. His Christian simplicity, the meekness of his spirit, his manly and effective eloquence in preaching Christ, as well as the ability and fidelity with which he has maintained our ecclesiastical polity, have pointed him out as a Minister well qualified for this important office. We have the utmost confidence in his integrity and ability. He is commended to you as a Brother beloved. May his visit to you be long remembered, and result in the consolidation of our re-union, and in the conversion of many souls to Christ Jesus.

We do not deem it necessary, in this letter, to enter into any further statement of our views. The Conference referred the adjustment of any such matters as might require more complete settlement to a numerous and efficient Committee, and DR. DIXON will communicate to you the result of their deliberations. He will also gladly avail himself of an opportunity of stating to you other matters connected with our proceedings. The Conference requested the REV. JOSEPH STINSON to accompany him. He has our growing esteem and confidence, and will be received by you with the respect and affection to which his talents and excellencies so fully entitle him.

Be assured, dear Brethren, we mention you in our prayers. We ask for you every spiritual blessing. May the Lord, the Spirit, vouchsafe to pour out upon your approaching assembly His choicest influences, mercifully disposing you to the exercise of all holy and kindly affections, and guiding your deliberations to such results, as may largely promote the glory of Christ, and the maintenance and spread of scriptural godliness through your extended and interesting country.

We are, very dear Brethren, in behalf of the Conference,

SAMUEL JACKSON, *President*,
ROBERT NEWTON, *Secretary*.

Liverpool, August, 1847.

ADDRESS OF THE CONFERENCE TO THE QUEEN.
TO THE QUEEN'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY.

*The Humble Address of the Ministers of the Gospel in the
Connexion established by the late Rev. John Wesley,
A.M., in their Annual Conference assembled.*

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR MAJESTY,

ON the opening of our Annual Conference, and previously to our proceeding to the transaction of any other business, we hasten most respectfully to tender our loyal and dutiful congratulations on the birth of another Princess. In common with the rest of Your Majesty's faithful and loyal subjects, we hail this event as not more happily auspicious to Your Majesty and your illustrious Consort, than it is to the people over whom, by the Providence of God, you have been called to reign.

Our own devout thanksgivings, as well as those of our Societies and Congregations, have been already offered to the Great Author of all good, for this renewed instance of His kindness to Your Majesty and to the nation. And it is now our earnest prayer and hope, that, as Your Majesty's Royal House is thus, by the favour of Divine Providence, built up, and your domestic blessings multiplied, there may, through the same means, be afforded to the nation an increased security for the perpetual maintenance of those great principles, on the basis of which the House of Brunswick was called to the throne of these realms.

May the Infant Princess be especially guarded by Divine Providence in her tender years! May she grow up in the enjoyment of health, and in the exhibition of such virtues as shall adorn her exalted rank! Above all, may she inherit that favour of Almighty God, which to persons in all conditions of society is the crown of every other gift, and find in the lovingkindness of the Lord the pledge of everlasting life and blessedness!

We gladly embrace the opportunity now afforded us of approaching the throne for the purpose of renewing to Your Majesty our earnest profession of affectionate and loyal attachment to Your Majesty's royal person, and to the constitution and government of the United Kingdom. In accordance with this profession, we cannot but regard with mingled grief and indignation the wicked attempts which have recently been made to sow the seeds of disaffection among certain classes of Your Majesty's subjects; and particularly to disseminate in one part of Your Majesty's dominions the principles of open and avowed rebellion. Against all sympathy with such proceedings, as well as against the mischiefs to which they necessarily tend, we have, in conformity with the precepts of Holy Scripture, and the

example of our venerated Founder, made it our strenuous endeavour to guard all those whom the Providence of God has placed under our pastoral care ; enjoining it upon them on all occasions, as a sacred duty, to be subject to lawful authority, “not only for wrath, but also for conscience’ sake.”

We trust, that by the Divine blessing on the vigorous and active measures taken by Your Majesty’s Government, all efforts to create revolutionary agitation and disturbance may be speedily repressed ; and that, by the re-establishment of the public quiet in those places where it has lately been interrupted, Your Majesty will have the satisfaction of again receiving the allegiance of a united and dutiful people.

May the King of Kings continue to surround Your Majesty’s person and family with the shield of His ever-watchful and gracious protection ! May He increase and multiply upon you and them the blessings both of Providence and Grace ! May Your Majesty’s throne be established in righteousness ; and, finally, after having been spared for many years as the beloved Sovereign of a prosperous and devoted people, may you receive the higher honours and rewards of a blissful immortality.

Signed on behalf and by order of the Conference,

ROBERT NEWTON, D.D., *President,*

JOSEPH FOWLER, *Secretary.*

Kingston-upon-Hull, July 26th, 1848.

THE ANSWER.

From the Right Hon. Sir George Grey, Bart., M.P., Secretary of State for the Home Department.

“ Whitehall, August 16th, 1848.

“ SIR,

“ I HAVE had the honour to lay before the Queen, the loyal and dutiful Address of the ‘ Ministers of the Gospel in the Connexion established by the late Rev. John Wesley, A.M., in their Annual Conference assembled,’ on the occasion of the birth of another Princess ; and expressing their attachment to Her Majesty’s person and the Constitution, and their regret at the attempts which have been lately made to disturb the public peace, and tendering their best influence with all those whom the Providence of God has placed under their pastoral care.

“ And I have the satisfaction to inform you, that Her Majesty was pleased to receive in the most gracious manner the expressions of loyalty and attachment conveyed by this Address.

“ I have the honour to be, Sir,

“ Your obedient Servant,

“ G. GREY.”

“ THE REV. ROBERT NEWTON, D.D.,
President, Hull.”

APPENDIX.

I.

ACCOUNTS OF THE CONTINGENT FUND FOR THE
YEAR ENDING AT THE CONFERENCE OF 1848.

1.—ORDINARIES.

CIRCUITS.	Nos.	Yearly Collection.			Grants.			July Collection.		
		£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
<i>I. London District.</i>										
First London.....	2789	79	0	0				41	14	8
Richmond.....	150	6	15	6				4	0	4
Uxbridge.....	78	1	8	6				2	2	0
Second London.....	1719	57	9	9				34	4	6
Third London and Thames										
Mission.....	2665	63	17	5	40	0	0	34	15	10
Welsh.....	30	0	11	6	27	0	0	0	9	1
Fourth London.....	1721	49	0	0				26	3	6
Fifth London.....	1816	44	10	0				28	14	4
Sixth London.....	2336	62	0	0				35	7	8
Seventh London.....	1406	32	6	0				18	0	0
Eighth London.....	1501	62	4	0				35	14	2
Deptford.....	1403	30	0	0				15	0	0
Hammersmith.....	630	18	0	0				17	4	6
Croydon.....	342	7	8	0	30	0	0	6	11	0
Romford.....	260	4	18	6	40	0	0	4	14	2
Leyton.....	75	2	0	0	22	0	0	2	4	0
Ware, &c.....	202	8	4	0	65	0	0	2	11	9
Cambridge.....	487	11	0	0				10	12	0
Windsor.....	309	9	0	0	39	0	0	7	19	6
Chelmsford.....	233	5	2	6	40	0	0	3	10	2
Maldon.....	195	8	17	6	50	0	0	3	12	0
Colchester.....	743	15	0	0				12	0	7
Manningtree.....	1002	22	0	0	40	0	0	8	2	6
Ipswich.....	631	11	13	0				8	0	0
Hastings.....	336	8	12	0	42	0	0	8	8	0
Sevenoaks.....	307	7	4	0				6	3	3
Tunbridge-Wells.....	451	9	8	0	24	0	0	11	11	0
Lewes, &c.....	196	5	0	0	32	0	0	5	2	2
Brighton.....	573	17	10	0				14	14	6
St. Alban's.....	620	10	16	6	35	0	0	8	0	0
Guildford, &c.....	228	7	0	0	152	0	0	6	14	0
Dorking, &c.....	92	2	5	6	163	0	0	1	10	0
Totals.....	25526	670	2	2	841	0	0	425	11	2
<i>II. Bedford and Northamp- ton District.</i>										
Bedford and Ampthill....	1054	21	12	4				14	19	0
Leighton-Buzzard.....	1072	19	10	8				11	11	0
Luton.....	920	22	1	0				14	6	8
Dunstable.....	992	17	12	6				9	18	6

CIRCUITS.	Nos.	Yearly Collection.			Grants.			July Collection.		
		£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
St. Neot's	407	7	0	0				7	1	9
Biggleswade	455	6	0	0	40	0	0	8	8	0
Hitchin	196	4	0	0				4	2	6
Huntingdon	754	11	10	0	25	0	0	11	2	0
Northampton	894	19	0	0				11	10	0
Daventry	664	9	12	0	24	0	0	3	2	6
Towcester	418	5	8	0	26	0	0	7	10	0
Newport-Pagnell	378	6	0	0	30	0	0	4	1	0
Higham-Ferrers	534	7	0	0				5	18	0
Wellingborough	447	6	6	0	35	0	0	4	12	0
Kettering	226	3	15	0	27	10	0	3	1	9
Market-Harborough	209	3	15	0	27	18	5	3	10	0
Chatteris	401	7	5	0	40	0	0	5	15	0
Oundle	320	5	16	0	35	0	0	3	1	3
Totals	10340	183	3	6	310	8	5	133	10	11
III. Kent District.										
Canterbury	566	12	0	0	40	0	0	7	7	0
Faversham	545	10	2	6				9	14	11
Rochester	1145	27	2	6				15	14	3
Gravesend	510	13	0	0	40	0	0	13	5	0
Sheerness	308	6	0	0				4	10	0
Margate	715	20	13	0				15	0	0
Dover	813	23	3	0	40	0	0	20	8	8
Deal	277	8	1	6	67	0	0	4	7	6
Rye	445	8	4	0	20	0	0	6	9	0
Tenterden	454	10	15	6	40	0	0	6	0	0
Ashford	254	3	10	0	37	0	0	3	8	0
Sandhurst	640	11	11	0	16	0	0	9	0	0
Maidstone	500	7	14	7				5	10	0
Sittingbourne	295	5	10	0	15	0	0	3	5	6
Additional Subscriptions ..		10	2	9						
Totals	7467	177	10	4	315	0	0	123	19	10
IV. Norwich and Lynn District.										
Norwich	1244	17	5	0				9	10	0
Bungay	300	5	0	0	22	6	2	4	0	0
North-Walsham	800	8	0	0				8	0	0
Yarmouth	686	18	0	0				13	13	0
Lowestoff	388	9	0	0				5	1	0
Framlingham	527	5	10	0	34	18	11	5	1	0
Dias	740	13	5	0				8	13	9
New-Buckenham	523	7	0	0				3	8	0
Bury St. Edmund's	822	5	11	0	18	18	0	3	16	0
Holt	638	6	2	0				4	10	0
Lynn	969	18	5	0				8	0	0
Swaffham	800	7	13	0	16	19	0	5	2	2
Downham	609	8	16	0	40	0	0	6	5	0
Walsingham	789	10	0	0				7	10	0
Wisbeach	664	11	0	0				7	15	0
Thetford	501	7	0	0	40	0	0	4	12	0
Mildenhall	264	3	12	0	23	15	8	4	10	0
Ely	510	8	0	0	43	7	0	6	0	0
Totals	11274	168	19	0	240	4	9	115	16	11

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		Nos.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
V. Oxford District.											
Oxford	508	8	10	0				5	0	0	
High-Wycombe	500	8	17	0				6	16	0	
Witney	402	9	2	6	46	5	0	6	10	6	
Aylesbury	588	7	15	0				8	15	0	
Banbury	552	9	5	0				6	14	0	
Kington	263	5	0	0				2	11	3	
Newbury	580	13	16	6				11	4	2	
Reading	251	6	18	6	46	5	0	9	4	4	
Hungerford	730	13	0	0				10	10	0	
Watlington	241	3	0	0	19	8	6	3	2	0	
Thame	220	2	10	0	27	15	0	1	14	6	
Brackley	714	9	3	6	23	4	8	5	15	6	
Chipping-Norton	351	6	0	0	25	1	6	5	10	6	
Swindon	209	4	10	0	65	11	8	5	9	11	
Wantage	388	7	0	0	67	11	6	7	0	0	
Totals	6497	114	8	0	321	2	10	95	17	8	
VI. Portsmouth District.											
Portsmouth	875	26	0	0	40	0	0	14	10	10	
Gosport	153	3	16	0	65	0	0	3	3	2	
Salisbury	1025	15	0	0				11	7	6	
Poole	957	16	0	0				10	11	6	
Ringwood	150	2	6	0	58	0	0	2	2	6	
Newport, Isle of Wight ..	948	17	10	3				17	14	8	
Southampton	608	17	10	0	43	0	0	14	10	0	
Andover	315	5	15	0	40	0	0	2	2	6	
Chichester	178	4	16	0	63	0	0	5	16	0	
Additional Subscriptions ..		0	15	0							
Totals	5209	109	8	3	309	0	0	81	18	8	
VII. Guernsey District.											
Guernsey, English	448	14	0	0				4	7	1	
Guernsey, French	986	13	0	0				6	3	5	
Alderney	75	2	5	0	33	0	0	0	5	0	
Jersey, English	415	13	0	0	40	0	0	5	1	6	
Jersey, French	1348	19	0	0				9	7	4	
Totals	3272	61	5	0	73	0	0	25	4	4	
VIII. Devonport District.											
Devonport	928	18	0	0				8	5	0	
Plymouth	1097	24	0	0				12	0	0	
Launceston	834	17	0	0				6	16	0	
Holsworthy	485	7	5	0				2	3	0	
Kilhampton	423	6	3	0				2	11	0	
Liskeard	887	13	0	0				5	0	0	
Callington	498	8	0	0				5	0	0	
Tavistock	590	7	15	0	34	14	0	4	1	6	
Camelford	298	6	10	0	65	4	0	4	15	0	
Kingsbridge	266	6	0	0	27	1	0	3	9	6	
Brixham	220	3	10	0	40	10	0	3	8	8	
Ashburton	308	6	15	0	71	0	0	4	2	4	
Totals	6834	123	18	0	238	9	0	61	12	0	

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		£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
IX. Cornwall District.										
Redruth	1594	16	10	6				6	1	0
Camborne	2063	20	5	0				7	15	6
Falmouth	896	18	5	0				8	15	0
Truro	1687	26	0	0				11	10	0
Gwennap	1824	10	7	6				2	9	9
St. Agnes	1022	7	15	3				2	12	7
St. Austle	1314	19	15	0	40	0	0	11	1	0
St. Mawes	349	6	0	0				3	15	0
Bodmin	765	14	10	0				5	8	0
St. Columb	515	6	5	0	27	0	0	3	0	6
Penzance	1069	23	0	0				9	15	0
St. Just	1682	26	0	0				6	8	10
St. Ives	759	16	10	0				6	10	0
Scilly Islands	107	4	0	0	5	11	6	2	3	6
Helstone	1560	15	12	0				7	0	0
Hayle	1238	15	0	0				5	10	0
Marazion	693	9	10	0	24	0	0	3	10	0
Totals	19137	255	5	3	96	11	6	103	5	8
X. Exeter District.										
Exeter	698	19	4	0				10	0	0
Crediton	78	1	11	0	49	0	0	1	9	9
Tiverton	348	5	3	0	4	0	0	5	5	0
Taunton	620	15	3	0				9	13	0
Bridgewater	374	7	3	0	20	0	0	4	2	6
South-Petherton	425	6	10	0	40	0	0	4	11	0
Axminster	232	4	0	0	25	0	0	1	19	0
Budleigh-Saltefton	268	4	10	0	52	0	0	3	17	0
Bridport	357	10	10	0	8	0	0	6	5	6
Barnstaple	480	8	7	6				7	4	0
South-Moulton	268	3	6	0	24	0	0	2	6	0
Bideford	700	10	10	0				7	5	0
Dunster	292	7	0	0				3	18	0
Oakhampton	237	3	17	0	90	0	0	2	10	0
Teignmouth	311	7	10	4	77	0	0	6	2	0
Totals	5688	114	4	10	389	0	0	76	4	3
XI. Bristol District.										
Bristol, North	2236	64	0	0				20	10	0
Bristol, South	1247	30	0	0				12	10	0
Kingswood	1156	20	0	0				7	16	0
Banwell	670	10	0	0				8	0	0
Stroud	573	9	10	0	10	0	0	7	10	0
Dursley	524	13	1	0	50	0	0	7	12	6
Downend	691	13	9	0	15	0	0	5	15	0
Gloucester	460	8	15	0	24	0	0	9	7	0
Tewkesbury	264	8	4	0	50	0	0	6	4	0
Cheltenham	745	25	10	0	24	0	0	16	6	6
Newport, Monmouth	675	16	10	0	40	0	0	10	10	0
Cardiff	398	10	10	0	55	0	0	6	11	0

CIRCUITS.	Nos.	Yearly Collection.			Grants.			July Collection.		
		£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
Monmouth	384	8	8	0	25	0	0	4	0	0
Abergavenny.....	890	11	10	0				9	0	0
Ledbury and Forest of Dean	435	7	3	1	52	0	0	4	0	0
Hereford	312	5	12	6	83	0	0	4	5	0
Additional Subscriptions..		4	13	0						
Totals	11660	266	15	7	428	0	0	139	17	0
XII. Bath District.										
Bath	1068	30	0	0				12	10	6
Bradford, Wilts.....	682	8	10	0				7	10	0
Midsomer-Norton.....	1694	22	0	0				12	4	0
Frome	711	10	10	6				7	0	0
Warminster	104	1	11	0	52	12	0	1	1	0
Melksham	500	7	0	0				8	0	0
Devizes	152	4	6	6	45	3	6	3	3	0
Shepton-Mallet.....	875	12	0	0				6	14	7
Sherborne	599	10	8	0				7	12	0
Weymouth	654	14	10	0				7	11	1
Dorchester.....	354	7	14	0	33	7	0	3	0	0
Shaftesbury	864	13	8	0				6	11	5
Glastonbury	336	6	0	0	23	8	0	3	5	0
Additional Subscriptions..		1	16	8						
Totals	8593	149	14	8	154	10	6	86	2	7
XIII. First South Wales District.										
<i>(English Preaching.)</i>										
Swansea.....	500	11	0	0	36	0	0	9	0	0
Merthyr-Tydvil	883	16	0	0				9	17	0
Brecon	228	7	10	0	32	0	0	6	3	6
Carmarthen	222	8	15	0	18	0	0	7	10	8
Haverford-West	525	12	12	0				8	4	6
Pembroke	398	7	0	0	24	0	0	4	15	0
Totals	2756	62	17	0	110	0	0	45	10	8
XIV. Second South Wales District.										
<i>(Welsh Preaching.)</i>										
Merthyr-Tydvil	565	11	11	6				2	17	0
Crickhowell	452	8	12	0				2	5	0
Cardiff	270	4	10	0	24	6	0	1	10	6
Cowbridge	140	3	4	2	20	10	0	0	16	6
Brecon	154	4	11	6	22	10	0	1	10	0
Llandilo.....	211	4	7	6	30	10	0	1	10	0
Carmarthen	330	6	12	0	45	1	4	1	18	0
Swansea.....	186	5	5	0	36	14	6	1	10	0
Cardigan	473	6	2	6	44	10	6	1	3	6
St. David's	95	2	15	0	47	5	6	0	16	0
Aberystwith	602	9	14	6	50	18	0	1	10	0
Machynlleth	437	5	10	0	18	11	6	1	5	0
Llanidloes.....	411	7	2	0	86	4	0	1	15	0
Totals	4326	79	17	8	427	1	4	20	6	6

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	Nos.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
XV. North Wales District.										
<i>(Welsh Preaching.)</i>										
Ruthin and Denbigh	489	8	9	0	44	0	0	8	0	0
Llangollen.....	411	5	0	0	10	0	0	2	1	0
Corwen	177	2	4	0	50	4	0	0	18	0
Llanrwst	650	10	5	0	78	0	0	2	16	0
Holywell	620	7	0	0	29	0	0	2	1	0
Mold	389	6	12	0	20	12	0	2	3	0
Llanasa, near Holywell ..	355	4	3	0				1	10	0
Beaumaris.....	347	4	15	0	40	3	0	1	6	0
Amlwch.....	410	4	8	0	40	2	0	1	1	0
Carnarvon	851	5	9	0				1	7	6
Bangor	500	5	13	0	20	1	0	1	14	0
Pwllheli.....	270	8	11	0	50	11	0	1	8	0
Barmouth	353	5	3	0	19	0	0	1	10	0
Dolgelly.....	501	5	6	0	60	1	0	1	6	0
Llanfyllin ..	542	10	10	0				2	2	0
Llanfair	319	6	17	0				1	15	0
Totals	6684	95	5	0	461	14	0	27	16	6
XVI. Birmingham and Shrewsbury District.										
Birmingham, West	1939	47	0	0				32	10	0
Birmingham, East	1689	31	10	0				20	10	0
West-Bromwich	707	19	10	0				18	12	0
Wednesbury ..	2272	48	0	0				42	0	0
Walsall	796	17	0	0	40	0	0	13	8	0
Wolverhampton	1322	27	0	0				27	5	0
Dudley	1588	84	0	0				28	16	0
Stourbridge	617	12	16	6	64	0	0	10	2	0
Stourport	693	15	0	0	24	0	0	11	12	7
Worcester	450	11	10	0				7	11	4
Bromsgrove	155	8	5	0	60	0	0	1	13	6
Evesham	377	6	10	0	30	0	0	6	9	6
Redditch	434	9	0	0				6	5	1
Coventry	420	7	0	0	20	0	0	5	2	8
Leamington	390	10	15	6	24	0	0	10	0	0
Stratford-upon-Avon	156	2	0	0	30	0	0	2	10	0
Hinckley	660	6	11	0				6	1	7
Shrewsbury	358	11	10	0	29	0	0	7	0	0
Madeley.....	1077	20	0	0	40	0	0	15	6	0
Wellington	913	12	0	0				10	10	0
Ludlow	615	7	0	0	48	0	0	4	0	0
Kington.....	860	6	10	0	39	0	0	5	10	6
Totals.....	17988	365	8	0	448	0	0	292	15	9
XVII. Macclesfield District.										
Macclesfield	1780	49	2	0				17	3	6
Buxton	485	10	0	0	26	0	0	5	6	0
Congleton	864	15	12	0				7	12	0
Namptwich	764	18	0	0	40	0	0	8	18	10
Northwich.....	755	20	0	0				11	16	8
Burslem.....	840	25	0	0				9	15	6
Tunstall.....	770	14	13	0				6	1	10
Newcastle-under-Lyne ...	724	10	6	0	25	0	0	6	0	0

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		£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
Longton.....	414	10	0	0	40	0	0	5	10	0
Stafford	224	6	13	0	48	0	0	5	1	6
Leek	939	21	10	6				12	10	0
Uttoxeter	605	11	0	0	16	16	2	9	7	0
Totals.....	9164	211	16	6	195	16	2	105	2	10
XVIII. Liverpool District.										
Liverpool, North	1476	64	17	0				35	0	0
Liverpool, South	2175	76	0	0				32	5	1
Liverpool, Welsh	673	15	5	0				3	16	0
Chester	939	26	5	0				14	15	1
Mold and Buckley	148	2	10	0	40	0	0	2	5	7
Carnarvon and Bangor....	40	2	2	0	18	0	0	2	6	9
Holyhead	57	1	5	0	16	10	0	1	5	0
Wrexham	340	6	13	0	60	0	0	3	15	0
Whitchurch	410	9	0	0				8	8	0
Warrington	812	19	0	0				13	3	0
St. Helen's and Prescott ..	505	11	5	6	51	10	0	7	0	0
Southport and Ormskirk..	463	12	0	0				11	11	0
Wigan	490	9	16	0	15	0	0	7	18	0
Preston and Chorley.....	1342	34	0	0				21	0	0
Garstang	492	9	14	6				7	13	6
Lancaster	465	10	10	0	65	0	0	7	8	6
Newtown	465	8	0	0	50	0	0	5	10	0
Totals.....	11292	318	3	0	316	0	0	185	0	6
XIX. Manchester & Bolton District.										
First Manchester	1292	53	0	0				27	2	4
Second Manchester	1619	53	0	0				30	0	0
Third Manchester.....	1360	40	0	0				16	9	3
Fourth Manchester	874	30	0	0				11	15	0
Fifth Manchester	1157	60	0	0				28	2	9
Manchester, Welsh	147	2	12	0	16	13	4	0	13	6
Altrincham	397	12	12	0				9	10	0
Stockport, North	900	24	0	0				11	10	0
Stockport, South	786	17	2	6				5	0	0
New-Mills.....	510	12	0	0	20	16	8	4	17	0
Glossop	700	9	10	6	40	0	0	4	5	0
Ashton-under-Lyne.....	1050	16	0	0	54	3	4	9	10	0
Oldham	720	11	10	0	12	0	0	9	3	1
Delph, Saddleworth	165	4	10	0	33	6	8	1	17	0
Bolton	2031	46	12	6				24	3	0
Rochdale	1270	20	0	0				10	0	0
Burnley	1148	24	0	0				13	4	0
Bury	917	20	18	0				12	0	0
Blackburn.....	599	9	10	0				6	10	0
Haslingden	959	13	10	0				8	17	6
Bacup	1350	20	0	0				10	6	0
Colne.....	749	8	10	0	14	11	8	6	3	0
Clitheroe	517	8	18	6	60	0	0	4	17	0
Leigh.....	357	5	16	0	14	3	4	5	10	0
Totals.....	21574	523	12	0	265	15	0	271	5	5

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XX. Halifax & Bradford District.				
Halifax	2029	84 10 6	8 15 0	14 8 8
Huddersfield, First	1500	40 10 0		22 2 9
Huddersfield, Second	1456	25 0 0		11 10 0
Holmfirth	889	10 0 0		6 5 0
Sowerby-Bridge	1195	18 0 0		8 4 0
Todmorden	1408	12 16 6		7 7 9
Denby-Dale	601	5 10 0		3 9 0
Bradford, West	1744	34 10 0		13 12 6
Bradford, East	2077	32 0 0		18 0 0
Great-Horton	1263	12 12 0		5 11 1
Keighley	1738	20 8 0		14 5 1
Bingley	1103	10 0 0		6 0 0
Shipley	430	5 14 0		2 11 0
Skipton	503	7 0 0	33 14 0	3 10 0
Addingham	556	8 0 0	40 0 0	5 6 8
Grassington	196	3 0 0	40 13 0	1 10 0
Settle	282	3 0 0	40 13 0	2 10 0
Additional Subscriptions ..		2 13 0		
Totals	18970	285 4 0	163 15 0	146 3 6
XXI. Leeds District.				
First Leeds	2099	68 0 0		25 1 3
Second Leeds	1912	70 0 0		27 15 1
Third Leeds	1568	36 12 6		13 18 0
Fourth Leeds	1738	36 15 0		12 17 7
Bramley	1832	21 9 6		9 17 9
Wakefield	2128	34 0 0		25 0 0
Birstal	1721	20 10 0		10 8 3
Dewsbury	1520	18 14 0		10 5 4
Knaresborough	842	18 18 0		13 10 0
Otley	842	14 6 0		7 5 0
Pateley-Bridge	850	11 11 0	33 11 1	8 0 0
Pontefract	1571	32 14 6	24 0 0	22 14 6
Cleckheaton	713	10 12 0	40 0 0	5 2 6
Yeadon	797	5 0 0		3 8 3
Woodhouse-Grove	494	5 2 6		3 14 0
Additional Subscriptions ..		6 0 0		
Totals	20627	410 5 0	97 11 1	198 17 6
XXII. Sheffield District.				
Sheffield, West	2506	69 0 0		30 0 0
Sheffield, East	2515	58 5 0		27 0 0
Chesterfield	1072	14 16 0		8 0 0
Bakewell	433	7 15 6		4 0 0
Bradwell	522	4 12 0		3 10 0
Rotherham	1709	35 16 6		19 2 6
Doncaster	1848	27 3 0		17 0 0
Barnsley	924	18 0 0		12 12 0
Retford	1319	21 10 0		11 11 6
Worksop	590	8 10 0		5 12 0
Totals	13438	265 8 0		138 8 0

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XXIII. Nottingham and Derby District.				
Nottingham, South	1550	81 0 0		15 0 0
Nottingham, North	2020	26 16 6		14 0 0
Ilkestone	606	7 7 0	18 0 0	6 2 0
Mansfield	1100	14 16 0		10 10 0
Newark	1069	26 10 0		14 0 0
Bingham	723	10 10 0		6 5 0
Leicester	1070	12 7 6		12 0 0
Melton-Mowbray	870	14 10 0		10 10 0
Oakham.....	283	5 6 0	60 0 0	4 7 6
Stamford	326	6 0 0	30 0 0	5 0 0
Grantham	1011	15 6 0		11 0 0
Peterborough	674	10 0 0	40 0 0	7 0 0
Loughborough	942	12 3 0		9 15 6
Castle-Donington.....	596	8 10 6		6 12 0
Derby	1466	35 17 6		24 5 8
Ashbourne	343	6 10 0		6 0 0
Belper	883	13 12 0		9 7 4
Ripley	803	10 8 0		5 5 6
Ashby-de-la-Zouch	841	16 0 0		13 0 0
Burton-on-Trent	895	14 0 0	26 0 0	12 10 0
Cromford	740	10 5 0	30 0 0	5 14 0
Totals	18811	307 15 0	204 0 0	208 14 6
XXIV. Lincoln District.				
Lincoln	2149	41 13 7		21 1 0
Sleaford	1200	21 0 0		13 12 0
Market-Raisen	1069	18 5 0		7 0 0
Louth	2518	56 3 0		26 5 11
Horncastle	1498	32 3 6		15 16 10
Alford	1144	23 3 8		10 8 4
Spilsby	876	19 0 0		9 5 0
Boston	1159	24 10 0		16 10 0
Wainfleet	635	11 8 0		7 12 0
Spalding	1163	16 10 0		10 10 0
Bourne	346	5 14 6	42 0 0	3 17 6
Coningsby.....	500	10 9 10		5 10 0
Totals	14257	280 1 1	42 0 0	147 8 7
XXV. Hull District.				
Hull, West	1868	58 10 4		20 5 6
Hull, East.....	1786	49 0 0		16 0 0
Beverley	823	19 10 0		10 18 8
Driffeld.....	922	17 15 0		9 0 4
Howden.....	1020	22 10 0		8 15 0
Patrington.....	485	8 12 6	29 11 11	4 0 0
Hornsea.....	478	8 9 6	32 0 0	5 5 0
Grimsby	1546	31 0 0		18 10 0
Gainsborough	1170	25 0 0		15 5 0
Epworth	783	15 2 6	3 0 0	7 10 0
Snaith	1339	25 0 0		14 10 0
Brigg.....	932	19 7 0		10 8 0
Barton	1181	21 10 11		12 5 2
Bridlington	1456	28 10 0		17 0 0
Totals	15789	349 17 9	64 11 11	169 12 8

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	Nos.	Yearly Collection.			Grants.			July Collection.		
		£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
York	3000	78	0	0				40	0	0
Tadcaster	960	24	10	0				12	2	0
Pocklington	870	17	10	0				9	0	0
Malton	1330	22	18	6				11	4	2
Easingwold	1451	21	10	0				12	2	6
Scarborough	1711	36	12	0				27	10	0
Pickering	996	17	10	0				7	13	0
Thirsk	1102	21	10	0				9	0	0
Ripon	861	11	0	0				7	0	0
Selby	1159	26	0	0				13	5	0
Totals	13440	277	0	6				148	16	8

XXVII. Whitby and Darlington District.

Whitby	1012	25	0	0				9	16	0
Stokesley	667	14	0	0	57	1	6	8	6	6
Darlington	667	18	0	0				9	6	4
Stockton	940	24	15	0				16	13	0
Barnard-Castle	633	10	10	0	80	0	0	7	2	0
Bishop-Auckland	456	10	0	0				5	15	0
Middleham	540	9	1	0	25	0	0	4	14	0
Richmond	325	6	0	0	43	19	0	3	16	0
Reeth	741	9	10	0	20	0	0	2	14	5
Bedale	828	11	0	0				4	4	0
Totals	6809	137	16	0	226	0	6	72	7	3

XXVIII. Newcastle District.

Newcastle	1557	87	10	0				20	0	0
Gateshead	1074	18	1	6				9	0	0
North-Shields	745	13	10	0				8	0	0
Blyth	394	6	15	0				2	15	1
South-Shields	619	9	0	0				5	0	0
Sunderland	1635	39	0	0				22	2	4
Houghton-le-Spring	496	6	0	0	15	0	0	4	14	0
Durham	837	11	11	0				8	0	0
Wolsingham	590	8	2	6	10	0	0	4	7	6
Hexham	607	8	5	0				5	10	0
Shotley-Bridge	687	13	11	0				8	0	5
Alston	639	7	0	0				4	12	0
Allendale-Town	513	6	8	6				2	10	0
Alnwick	123	4	0	0	18	0	0	1	4	6
Berwick	79	1	17	0	40	0	0	0	15	0
Morpeth	56	1	13	6	58	0	0	0	10	0
Totals	10651	192	5	0	141	0	0	107	0	10

XXIX. Carlisle District.

Carlisle	281	10	11	0	45	0	0	7	14	0
Brampton	207	3	14	9	30	9	9	2	0	0
Whitehaven	328	5	0	0	35	9	8	1	6	0
Workington	453	5	4	7				3	12	0
Appleby	412	5	5	0	5	0	0	3	10	0
Penrith	728	15	7	6				9	5	0

CIRCUITS.	Nos.	Yearly Collection.			Grants.			July Collection.		
		£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
Wigton and Keswick	244	5	9	6	50	9	8	3	10	0
Kendal	702	6	8	10				5	5	0
Ulverstone.....	150	3	6	6	49	0	0	2	10	0
Dumfries	57	1	12	0	51	0	0	1	4	0
Totals	3562	61	19	8	266	19	1	39	6	0
XXX. Isle of Man District.										
Douglas and Castletown ..	1397	20	0	0				9	0	0
Ramsay and Peel.....	1653	16	16	0				4	10	0
Totals	3050	36	16	0				13	10	0
XXXI. Edinburgh and Aberdeen District.										
Edinburgh.....	473	12	10	0	153	0	0	4	19	6
Dunbar	52	1	10	0	24	0	0	0	17	0
Glasgow.....	863	16	5	0	10	0	0	5	5	0
Greenock	77	2	0	0				0	15	0
Airdrie and Stirling.....	603	7	0	0				2	0	0
Ayr	123	2	11	0	52	0	0	0	15	0
Aberdeen	370	7	13	0	99	0	0	2	10	0
Dundee	97	3	5	0	38	0	0	1	3	0
Perth	62	2	5	0	56	0	0	1	0	0
Arbroath	93	2	11	0	53	11	6	0	16	0
Banff.....	65	1	7	0	39	0	0	0	10	0
Inverness	49	1	15	0	54	0	0	0	16	0
Totals	2927	60	12	0	578	11	6	21	6	6
XXXII. Shetland Isles District.										
Lerwick.....	509	5	18	6	228	0	0	2	15	0
Walls.....	443	3	10	0	89	0	0	0	12	0
Northmavin, &c.	165	1	0	0	49	0	0	0	10	0
North Isles	132	1	0	0	54	0	0	0	10	0
Totals	1249	11	8	6	420	0	0	4	7	0

**GENERAL VIEW OF THE NUMBERS, YEARLY AND JULY
COLLECTIONS, AND ORDINARY DEFICIENCIES, 1848.**

DISTRICTS.	Nos.	Yearly Collection.			Grants.			July Collection.		
		£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
London	25526	670	2	2	841	0	0	425	11	2
Bedford & North- ampton	10340	183	3	6	310	8	5	133	10	11
Kent.....	7467	177	10	4	315	0	0	123	19	10
Norwich and Lynn	11274	168	19	0	240	4	9	115	16	11
Oxford.....	6497	114	8	0	321	2	10	95	17	8
Portsmouth.....	5209	109	8	3	309	0	0	81	18	8
Guernsey.....	3272	61	5	0	73	0	0	25	4	4
Devonport	6834	123	18	0	238	9	0	61	12	0
Cornwall.....	19137	255	5	3	96	11	6	102	10	8
Exeter.....	5688	114	4	10	389	0	0	76	4	3
Bristol.....	11660	266	15	7	428	0	0	139	17	0
Bath.....	8593	149	14	8	154	10	6	86	2	7
1st South Wales..	2756	62	17	0	110	0	0	45	10	8
2d South Wales..	4326	79	17	8	427	1	4	20	6	6
North Wales	6684	95	5	0	461	14	0	27	16	6
Birmingham and Shrewsbury....	17988	365	8	0	448	0	0	292	15	9
Macclesfield	9164	211	16	6	195	16	2	105	2	10
Liverpool.....	11292	318	3	0	316	0	0	185	0	6
Manchester and Bolton.....	21574	523	12	0	265	15	0	271	5	5
Halifax & Bradford	18970	285	4	0	163	15	0	146	3	6
Leeds	20627	410	5	0	97	11	1	198	17	6
Sheffield	13438	265	8	0				137	8	0
Nottingham and Derby	18811	307	15	0	204	0	0	208	14	6
Lincoln	14257	280	1	1	42	0	0	147	8	7
Hull.....	15789	349	17	9	64	11	11	169	12	8
York	13440	277	0	6				148	16	8
Whitby and Dar- lington.....	6809	137	16	0	226	0	6	72	7	3
Newcastle	10651	192	5	0	141	0	0	107	0	10
Carlisle	3562	61	19	8	266	19	1	39	6	0
Isle of Man.....	3050	36	16	0				13	10	0
Edinburgh and Aberdeen.....	2927	60	12	0	578	12	0	21	6	6
Shetland Isles....	1249	11	8	6	420	0	0	4	7	0
Totals	338861	6728	2	3	8145	3	1	3831	3	2

2.—EXTRAORDINARIES.

(1.)—TRAVELLING EXPENSES.

	£.	s.	d.
Brother John Jones, 3d, from Pembroke to London	3	0	0
John Eglinton, from Callington to St. Alban's.....	4	0	0
Woolmer, from Pembroke to Guildford.....	2	0	0
William Mowat, from Devizes to Towcester	2	10	0
Whittingham, from Aylesbury to Market-Harborough	1	10	0
Brocklehurst, from Richmond, Yorkshire, to Chatteris	6	0	0
Bolas, from Shaftesbury to Dover	3	10	0
Charles G. Turton, from Addingham to Sandwich	5	0	0
T. Brown, from Garstang to Sandhurst.....	6	0	0
Sharman, from Tredegar to New-Buckenham	2	0	0
Midgley, from Watlington to Ely.....	3	0	0
Fisher, from Holt to Aylesbury.....	4	5	0
James Cooke, 3d, from Dorchester to Chipping-Norton	1	6	0
J. L. Sanders, from St. Alban's to Ringwood	3	0	0
G. Turner, 2d, from South-Petherton to Southampton	1	10	0
Trethewey, from Shepton-Mallet to Launceston	4	10	0
Joseph B. West, from Taunton to Tavistock.....	1	0	0
Samuel W. Robinson, from Monmouth to Kingsbridge	2	0	0
J. Pilley, from Shaftesbury to St. Austle.....	3	0	0
Harvie, from Rye to St. Columb	5	0	0
Isaac Harding, from Doncaster to St. Just (in part)	3	10	0
Vine, from Barton to Bideford (in part)	10	0	0
H. B. Brown, from Dorchester to Kingswood	1	12	0
Greenwood, from Bradwell to the Forest of Dean	2	2	0
W. Hill, from Tavistock to Frome.....	4	12	0
J. Lees, from Guildford to Melksham	5	0	0
T. Payne, from Pembroke to Dorchester	5	0	0
J. W. Cotton, from Ipswich to Tredegar	8	0	0
Rees, from Llanidloes to Brecon.....	2	0	0
Joseph Jones, from Aberystwith to Swansea.....	3	0	0
R. Owen, from Machynlleth to Lampeter	1	10	0
D. Evans, (late,) 2d, from Llanidloes to Aberystwith.....	1	4	0
H. Wilcox, from London to Llanidloes.....	7	0	0
T. Jones, from Swansea to Llanidloes	2	0	0
J. R. Chambers, from Corwen to Llanrwst	1	0	0
R. Jones, 2d, from Barmouth to Conway	1	10	0
D. Jones, from Carmarthen to Mold.....	1	15	0
Janion, from Bridport to Walsall	6	0	0
Way, from Dorking to Stratford-on-Avon.....	3	0	0
Powis, from Falmouth to Shrewsbury (in part)	10	0	0
Brookes, from Banff to Congleton	12	0	0
Peck, from Holt to Namptwich	4	0	0
Buckley, from Guildford to Oswestry	3	4	0
Robert Dyson, from Brackley to St. Helen's	1	10	0
Burrows, from Epworth to Garstang	4	15	0
W. H. Lewis, from Shetland to Garstang.....	5	0	0

TRAVELLING EXPENSES,—*Continued.*

	£.	s.	d.
Brother Currelly, from Glastonbury to Colne	6	0	0
Kemshall, from Ulverstone to Settle	1	11	6
Clough, from Maidstone to Bramley.....	6	0	0
M. Rayner, from Oakham to Bradwell	2	10	0
T. A. Rayner, from Shepton-Mallet to Ashbourne	5	0	0
Povah, from Tenterden to Peterborough	1	15	0
Timothy R. Moxon, from Cirencester to Oakham	2	0	0
Alston, from Houghton-le-Spring to Alford.....	2	0	0
Gover, from Skipton to Spalding	7	0	0
Trueman, from Manningtree to Epworth.....	4	0	0
Kilner, from Uttoxeter to Malton	6	5	0
Catton, from Spalding to Thirsk.....	6	10	0
The Representative from Shetland to the Conference, and the removal of his Family from Shetland to Whitby.....	20	0	0
Brother Standring, from Stourbridge to Richmond	6	0	0
John Haigh, from Workington to Reeth	5	10	0
Hastling, from Inverness to North Shields	6	0	0
Rigby, from Shetland to Shotley-Bridge	3	15	0
Connon, from the Isle of Man to Whitehaven	1	10	0
Pedley, from Sleaford to Workington	2	15	0
Parkinson, from Whitchurch to Ulverstone.....	1	10	0
Shearman, from Prescott to Dumfries.....	2	5	0
Jones, from Brigg to Glasgow (in part)	4	0	0
Paterson, from Appleby to Ayr (in part)	3	0	0
Owen, from Thame to Leith	9	0	0
Warters, from Ayr to Perth	1	10	0
Danks, from Shetland to Montrose.....	2	10	0
Pridham, from Holyhead to Inverness	10	0	0
Hesk, from Stafford to Shetland	12	0	0
William Foster, from Selby to Shetland	5	0	0
William Parsonson, to Shetland.....	5	0	0
Dilks, from Leith to Shetland	3	0	0
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	£329	1	6

(2.)—AFFLICTIONS.

	£.	s.	d.
Brother J. Jones, 3d, (London Welsh Circuit,) for severe personal affliction and expensive medical advice	25	0	0
Hetherington, (Deptford,) for long-continued affliction of his son. ...	20	0	0
Mowat, (Towcester,) for severe personal and family affliction ...	25	0	0
Dalby, (Kettering,) for domestic affliction	20	0	0
Colman, (Holt,) for long and severe family affliction	15	0	0
John Tucker, (Walsingham,) for severe affliction	3	0	0
Salt, (Ely,) for very painful domestic affliction	10	0	0
Worth, (Banbury,) for continued peculiar affliction of his son ...	15	0	0
Ditto, for additional heavy family affliction	10	0	0
Denham, (Watlington,) on account of personal affliction	10	0	0
Thomas Baker, (Reading,) on account of severe and continued family affliction	18	0	0
Dowty, (Brackley,) for severe family affliction	17	0	0
W. Baker, (Chipping-Norton,) on account of the affliction of his son.....	10	0	0
Wedlock, (Gosport,) for severe personal and family affliction.....	10	0	0
John Dawson, (Gosport,) for severe personal affliction	10	0	0

AFFLICTIONS,—*Continued.*

	£.	s.	d.
Brother Oyston, (Newport, Isle of Wight,) for family affliction.....	10	0	0
Hirst, (late,) funeral expenses	12	0	0
Ryan, 2d, (Callington,) for severe family affliction	8	0	0
E. Crofts, (Southampton,) for family affliction	5	0	0
Vigis, (St. Austle,) for family affliction.....	4	0	0
W. Harvie, (St. Columb,) for severe personal and family affliction	15	0	0
Noall, (Hayle,) for special and severe personal and family affliction	30	0	0
Garrett, (South-Petherton,) for severe and protracted family affliction	20	0	0
William F. Clark, (Dunster,) for personal affliction	5	0	0
Lewis Lewis, (late,) (Budleigh-Salterton,) for heavy personal affliction	10	0	0
Ditto, funeral expenses	12	0	0
Crowe, (Dursley,) for severe and protracted family affliction.....	20	0	0
Rouch, (Cardiff,) for family affliction.....	8	0	0
Webb, (Hereford,) on account of family affliction	10	0	0
A. Barber, on account of peculiar family affliction	15	0	0
Floyd, (Bradford, Wilts.,) for severe and protracted family affliction	12	0	0
John Gregory, (Devizes,) for severe family affliction	10	0	0
D. Morgan, (Cowbridge,) for severe and protracted personal affliction	12	0	0
E. Richards, (St. David's,) for protracted family affliction.....	6	0	0
D. Evans, 2d, (late,) (Aberystwith,) for severe personal affliction	5	0	0
Ditto, funeral expenses	12	0	0
H. Wilcox, (Llanidloes,) for severe family affliction	10	0	0
B. Roberts, (Llangollen,) for long-continued family affliction ...	3	0	0
T. Morris, (Corwen,) for severe and protracted affliction	10	0	0
Goy, (Worcester,) for severe and protracted affliction.....	20	0	0
Way, (Stratford-upon-Avon,) for long-continued family affliction	10	0	0
Barker, (Ludlow,) for personal and family affliction	4	0	0
Catterick, (Kington,) for peculiar family affliction	15	0	0
S. Webb, (late,) funeral expenses	12	0	0
E. Hughes, (Liverpool, Welsh,) for long and severe afflictions ...	20	0	0
Totherick, (St. Helen's,) for long-continued family affliction.....	10	0	0
J. Bowman, (Newtown,) for severe and repeated affliction.....	20	0	0
Bonner, (Manchester, Welsh,) on account of affliction	8	0	0
Hickson, (Glossop,) for severe personal and family affliction.....	20	0	0
A. Stead, a case of peculiar affliction	27	0	0
P. Budd, (Sowerby-Bridge,) for protracted domestic affliction ...	8	0	0
Cousin, (Addingham,) for heavy family affliction	15	0	0
Pretty, (Dewsbury,) for severe and protracted affliction	12	0	0
R. Gibson, (late,) (Coningsby,) funeral expenses	12	0	0
Nowell, (Spalding,) for personal affliction	6	0	0
H. B. Cox, (Whitehaven,) for severe and dangerous affliction ...	7	0	0
J. Felvus, (Appleby,) for severe and protracted personal and family affliction	8	0	0
Parkinson, (Ulverstone,) for severe and repeated family affliction	5	0	0
R. Moore, (Glasgow,) for severe family affliction	12	0	0
R. Haworth, (Aberdeen,) for domestic affliction	5	0	0
Railton, (Dundee,) for severe and long-continued personal and domestic affliction	15	0	0
Pridham, (Inverness,) for personal and domestic affliction	5	0	0
	£758	0	0

(3.)—FURNITURE.

	£.	s.	d.
Maldon	40	0	0
Portsmouth	10	0	0
Newport	20	0	0
Cardiff	40	0	0
Stratford-on-Avon	40	0	0
	<u>£150</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>

(4.)—MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES.

	£.	s.	d.
Expenses of a Minor District-Meeting in London	4	2	9
Brother William Dixon, carriage of boxes on becoming a Supernumerary	1	12	0
Brother Eaton, a newly-married Minister, a deficiency in the Holt Circuit	40	0	0
Supplying Brother T. Fisher's place in Aylesbury	12	12	0
Brother Worth, towards the keep of a horse	10	0	0
Brother Collier, carriage of boxes on becoming a Supernumerary ...	4	10	0
Expenses of a Minor District-Meeting in Cornwall	4	10	0
Ditto ditto in Shepton-Mallet	1	1	0
Brother Lot Hughes, towards the keep of a horse	10	0	0
Brother D. Evans, 2d, a newly-married Minister, omitted last year	40	0	0
Brother E. Morgan, ditto, ditto.....	20	0	0
Brother E. Edwards, carriage of boxes on becoming a Supernumerary	3	16	6
Expenses of a Minor District-Meeting in Birmingham	4	15	6
Brother Peck, deficiency of board in the Holt Circuit	4	1	0
Supplying Brother E. Hughes's place in Liverpool Welsh Circuit...	15	15	0
Brother Smetham, (late,) carriage of boxes on becoming a Supernumerary	2	13	6
Brother J. Heape, ditto.....	4	0	0
Expenses of a Minor District-Meeting in Addingham.....	2	13	6
Supplying Brother Cousin's place in Addingham.....	40	0	0
Brother E. R. Talbot, a newly-married Minister, omitted last year.	20	0	0
Brother R. S. Ellis, ditto, ditto.....	20	0	0
Supplying the place (in part) of the late Brother Woolsey in Barton	8	8	0
Brother T. Walker, (late,) carriage of boxes on becoming a Supernumerary	3	10	0
Supplying the place of Brother Bumstead in Bishop-Auckland.....	5	0	0
Brother Thomas Sheldon, a newly-married Minister, omitted last year	30	0	0
Brother Dunbar, carriage of boxes on becoming a Supernumerary	1	0	0
Supplying Brother Huddleston's place in Kendal	13	10	0
Supplying Brother Railton's place in Dundee	10	10	0
Brother Hesk, carriage of boxes to Shetland.....	6	0	0
Chairmen's Expenses in visiting solitary stations.....	29	8	4
Brother Flower, a newly-married Minister, not paid in the Dunstable Circuit	24	0	0
The expenses of Brother Naylor and Brother Rigg in attending the South Wales District-Meeting	10	16	0
The expenses of the President and Brother F. A. West in attending the North Wales District-Meeting	10	0	0
The President's Assistant	80	0	0
Ditto, expenses to Scotland	7	17	0
Ditto, ditto, Ireland	7	10	0
Ditto, letters, stationery, and parcels	5	0	0

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES,—Continued.

	<i>£.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
Dr. Newton's Assistant	76	0	0
Ditto, expenses to the Irish Conference.....	5	5	0
Ditto, official letters, parcels, &c.	2	10	0
Dr. Dixon's expenses to the General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church in America, held at Pittsburgh; and also to the Canadian Conference, held at Belleville	140	0	0
Expenses attending the special examination, in London, of Candidates for our ministry	77	5	5
Printing Pastoral Addresses and other Connexional documents.....	113	9	0
Advertisements for Shetland	1	7	0
Printing Yearly and July Collection Papers, and carriage of them into the respective Circuits	33	15	0
Interest of money borrowed, and bank commission.....	152	2	11
Treasurer's stationery, letters, and parcels.....	3	10	0
Ditto, part of expenses in attending the Hull Conference	3	0	0
Expenses of Committees appointed by the Conference.....	61	15	4
Deficiency in the Warminster Circuit, a special case	12	0	0
Ditto, in the Settle, Skipton, and Grassington Circuits, very special cases	25	0	0
Amount of Miscellaneous Expenses	1,225	11	9
Ditto, Travelling Expenses.....	329	1	6
Ditto, Afflictions	758	0	0
Ditto, Furniture	150	0	0
Total Amount of Extraordinaries, 1848	£2,462	13	3

GENERAL STATEMENT.

Da. 1848.	<i>The Treasurers of the Contingent Fund.</i>	<i>£.</i>		<i>s.</i>		<i>d.</i>		<i>Per Contra.</i>		<i>Ca.</i>	
To	148	6,728	2	3				1848.		£.	s. d.
To	3	3,831	3	2				By Balance due to the Treasurers, August, 1847...		1,171	18 9
To	recutors of the late Robert							By amount paid for Ordinary Deficiencies, 1848...		8,145	3 1
To	the support of the work of							By amount paid for Extraordinary Deficiencies, 1848		2,462	13 3
To	God in Shetland	85	3	10				By Grant for Ireland		650	0 0
To	Legacy from the late Miss Harvey (less Property-tax)	23	6	0							
To	Cash returned from the Bedford and Northampton District, error of last year	8	0	0							
To	Donation from Thomas Farmer, Esq.	100	0	0							
To	Donation from the Rev. S. Dunn, (an admirer of the late Dr. Clarke,) for Shetland	5	0	0							
To	amount received from the Missionary Committee, in compensation for returned Missionaries, taken into the work at home	630	0	0							
To	Balance due to the Treasurers, August, 1848...	1,018	19	10							
										<u>£12,429</u>	<u>15 1</u>

No. CVI.

MANCHESTER, *July 25, 1849.*

**Q. I. WHO are now ADMITTED as Ministers INTO FULL CON-
NEXION WITH THE CONFERENCE?**

A. 1. In *Great Britain*, Thomas Batten, Robert Brown, Joseph Chapman, William F. Clark, Sampson Cock, Richard Eland, jun., George Elliott, James Faulkner, Edwin Fice, William Fox, 2d, Benjamin Frankland, jun., B.A., David Griffiths, Stephen P. Harvard, John Hebb, William Hessel, John Hirst, James Hughes, Edmond Knaggs, John Livingston, Thomas M'Cullagh, John M'Kenny, George Mather, James Mitchell, William T. Nelson, John Nowell, 2d, John Parsons, Peter Prescott, jun., William M. Punshon, James H. Rigg, John Roberts, 2d, Richard Roberts, William Rodman, Uriah Scott, Michael C. Taylor, John Thomas, 2d, Walter Vercoe, Richard Woodfin;—

[John Pearson retires for the present, for want of health;—]

2. In our *Foreign Missions*, Thomas Adams, Johannes P. Bertram, John Brewster, Samuel Brown, 3d, Samuel Burrell, Benjamin Chapman, Thomas B. Glanville, Thomas James, Ebenezer E. Jenkins, Henry H. Lawry, William M'Carty, Henry Pope, 2d, William F. Turtle, Jabez B. Waterhouse, Thomas West, John E. S. Williams;

Also, John Hagan, Alexander J. Thompson, John Vaz, *Assistant Missionaries*;—

3. And, in *Ireland*,

(1.) John Hazleton, who has travelled five years;

(2.) Henry M. Beale, A.B., Robert H. Campbell, James Hutcheson, Edward Johnston, 2d, James M'Clintock, Thomas M'Lorinan, Frederick Stephens, Alexander Twiss.

Q. II. What Preachers REMAIN ON TRIAL?

A. 1. In *Great Britain*,

(1.) Edward Addison, John W. Davies, who have travelled four years, and are continued on trial on account of the state of their health;

(2.) James Allen, 3d, Robert G. Badcock, Thomas S. Bowers, B.A., John Bramwell, Thomas H. Brocklehurst, Samuel Coley, Evan Davies, Frederick F. Edmunds, James Emory, John Evans, 2d, John D. Geden, John W. Greeves, John Harrop, Benjamin Hellier, Joseph Hirst, Thomas Hulme, Daniel

Jones, Joseph Jones, Edward King, Samuel M'Aulay, Richard Martin, William Mearns, M.A., John Moore, Henry Needle, Paul Orchard, jun., Evan Pugh, Thomas Rigby, John Shipham, John Skidmore, George Smith, 3d, James Sugden, Charles Willis, John W. Wilson, Charles E. Woolmer;—

2. In our *Foreign Missions*, George Alton, James M. Cranswick, George Daniel, William H. A. Dickson, Giffard Dorey, Benjamin Field, James Ford, Charles Hillard, William Kirk, John Malvern, Joseph Morris, Edward J. Robinson, John Thomas, 3d, William 'Tyson, John Walton, Richard Wrench;

Also, John A. Bailie, Thomas M. Chambers, Henry Cox, Robert E. Crane, John Douglas, John Harcourt, George O. Huestis, Gideon Jaulmes, John Lewis, 2d, William Lowe, John A. Martin, John Prince, James Taylor, 2d, William Williams, 3d, *Assistant Missionaries*;—

3. And, in *Ireland*, James Bass, Samuel Ferguson, Charles L. Grant, Joseph Johnston, James Keys, Mortlock Long, Richard Maxwell;—

These have travelled **THREE YEARS** :

1. In *Great Britain*, Joseph L. Ball, Joseph Bate, John Bramley, Rupert Chawner, John W. Close, Henry B. Cox, John W. Crankshaw, Thomas T. Dilks, Peter Featherstone, James Fisher, William Foster, Samuel Haigh, James Hargreaves, William Harley, William Hirst, William L. Horton, William Jackson, 3d, Alexander T. James, John P. James, John Jones, 4th, Henry Keet, John Lesson, James A. Macdonald, John T. Morley, Joshua Mottram, John Nelson, 2d, William Parsonson, Josiah Pearson, Charles B. Potts, Andrew Rennard, Peter Sharland, William Shaw, 2d, Joseph Spencer, Joseph Sutton, Theophilus Talbot, William D. Tyack, John Walter, John Wetherell, Thomas Wilkinson, Charles J. Williams, John S. Workman;—

2. In our *Foreign Missions*, Thomas Butcher, Edward Collier, Joseph H. Fletcher, Herbert W. Haime, Frederick Hart, Richard Hart, John Kilner, George Meadows, Joseph Oram, Thomas Phelps, George Sargeant, George Smith, 4th, Joseph Webster;

Also, Gottlob Schreiner, John C. Thrum, Cornelius V. D. Van Soelen, *Assistant Missionaries*;—

3. And, in *Ireland*, Thomas W. Baker, Samuel Johnston, James Kernahan, George Magee;—

These have travelled **TWO YEARS** :

1. In *Great Britain*, George Abbott, Thomas Chope, Thomas Derry, John Elam, Richard Evans, Elias Geake, Henry W. Holland, David Jones, 2d, Robert Jones, 2d, Samuel Lord, Henry Pollinger, Richard Smetham, Benjamin Smith, William

Spenser, Henry J. Staley, Mark Symons, Edward A. Telfer, Thomas Timms, Francis T. Tranmer, John Wood, 2d ;—

2. In our *Foreign Missions*, Elias Brettle, John S. Ellison, Walter Garry, Alexander Reid;

Also, William C. Currey, George H. Decker, Ebenezer D. Hepburn, Benjamin Latuselu, Joseph May, John G. Millard, Richard Watson, *Assistant Missionaries* ;—

3. And, in *Ireland*, Edward Best, James Carey, George Chambers, William Christie, William Crook, jun., John Dwyer, Colin M'Kay, John H. Robinson ;—

These have travelled ONE YEAR.

Q. III. What Preachers are NOW RECEIVED ON TRIAL ?

A. 1. In *Great Britain*, Francis W. Greeves, Robert Horsfield, Isaac Jones, William Lees, George Moone, Jabez Overton, Samuel W. Robinson, Joseph Simpson ;—

2. In our *Foreign Missions*, Walter J. Davis ;

Also, William Byrnes, James Elliott, Joseph N. Heureaux, James A. Learmouth, Joseph D. M. Ludorf, John Pemell, James Somerville, *Assistant Missionaries* ;—

3. And, in *Ireland*, Robert Johnston, James Lindsay, James Shaw.

Q. IV. What Ministers have DIED since the last Conference ?

A. 1. In *Great Britain* the *twenty-one* following :—

(1.) HENRY GROVES ; who was born at Portsmouth, in 1804. He was converted to God in the twenty-second year of his age, and entered on those ministerial labours to which he believed he was called to devote himself, in 1831. His disposition and temper were peaceable and compassionate, gentle and amiable ; and his deportment was mild and inoffensive. His conceptions of what the Christian ministry requires for its due exercise were of a high order, and he endeavoured to embody them in his own discharge of its sacred functions. His judgment was sound ; his pulpit discourses were affectionate, plain, and practical, and his appeals to the conscience forcible. To impart instruction, to produce conviction and conversion, to promote edification, and to administer consolation and admonition, were the uniform objects of his public labours. His last sickness was short, and at first no particular danger was apprehended ; but when it became evident that death was near, his mind remained as peaceful as it previously had been. Death to him had no sting, because God had given him the victory, which he acknowledged with holy thankfulness and triumph, through Jesus Christ our Lord. His language to the last was that of prayer and praise ; and he died, as from the period of his conversion he had lived, in faith, hope, and love, August 10th, 1848.

(2.) JOHN RADFORD ; who was born at Bristol, in 1784.

Having been awakened to a sense of his guilt and danger under the ministry of the late Rev. Henry Moore, he was brought as a penitent sinner to a saving trust in the sacrificial death of Christ for pardon, and was made a blessed partaker of the Spirit of adoption. After giving satisfactory evidence of the scriptural character of his conversion, and that he had received a Divine call to the Christian ministry, he was sent, a few weeks subsequently to the Conference of 1807, to the Cardiff Circuit. During a period of forty-one years he laboured with general acceptance and considerable success. Towards the close of his ministry, he appeared to be especially anxious to promote the conversion of sinners; and he gratefully acknowledged the goodness of God in fulfilling his desires, and making his labours, by the power of Divine grace, more than usually efficacious. He was distinguished for gentleness of spirit, meekness in expression and behaviour, urbanity in his manners, and an attention to young persons which won their esteem and confidence. He was, at the same time, firm and unflinching when duty required him to be so. He well understood the great truths of the Gospel, and proclaimed them with a simplicity and fervour which rendered his ministry interesting and edifying. He possessed, and happily employed, the talent of making his social intercourse instructive and profitable. His excellent temper, his catholic spirit, his pious and dignified conduct, and his affectionate concern for the happiness of all, rendered him acceptable to the members of other communities besides the one with which he was more intimately connected. His death was sudden. He attended the sittings of the last Conference nearly to its close, and had prepared to return home, when he was seized with cholera, which at once so prostrated his strength as to deprive him of the power of conversation. The few words he uttered expressed his thankfulness for the kindness of his friends, and more especially his unwavering trust in the mercy of his Saviour. He died, August 17th, 1848, aged sixty-four years.

(3.) THOMAS SIMMONITE, of the Horncastle Circuit. He was a native of Greasbrough, near Rotherham, and was born in 1766. The death of his parents occasioned serious reflection on his own spiritual condition, and, under the Wesleyan ministry, he was brought to seek and find redemption in the blood of Christ, the forgiveness of his sins. For some time he was engaged as a Class-Leader and a Local Preacher; but he believed that God had called him to a more extensive sphere of labour. Mr. Wesley, observing his sincere piety, and growth in grace and in useful knowledge, appointed him to the Methodist ministry in 1789. From this time he laboured acceptably and usefully. He was frequently made an instrument of extensive revivals, and had the happiness of witnessing the conversion of many souls. In 1828 he was compelled, by affliction, to become a Supernumerary; but, as

far as increasing infirmities permitted, he continued to take a portion of the ministerial work of the Circuit in which he resided. His piety was cheerful ; his faith in Christ firm ; his love to the means of grace ardent ; and his life unblamable. He was resigned in suffering, and calm in death. From his conversion to the end of life he never wavered in his love to his Master, or his work ; but amidst various Connexional and political movements, he continued steadfast, only seeking always to abound in the work of the Lord. On his return from the Conference of 1848, he was seized with severe illness, and, after lingering a few days, he died on the 22d of August, 1848, in the eighty-third year of his age, and the fifty-ninth of his ministry.

(4.) JAMES BLACKETT, of the Fourth Leeds Circuit. He was born at Woodhouse, near Leeds, in 1778. When very young, he was taken by his parents to the house of God ; and, on one occasion, having heard Mr. Wesley preach in the old chapel, Leeds, he was kindly noticed by that venerable man at the close of the service. When about eighteen years of age, he was convinced of sin, under the ministry of the Rev. A. Mather, and soon after obtained peace with God whilst hearing the Rev. Mr. Price, a Dissenting Minister. He immediately joined the Methodist Society, and became successively a Prayer-Leader, a Visiter of the sick for the "Benevolent Society," a Class-Leader, and a Local Preacher. He commenced his ministerial labours in the Dudley Circuit, where he was extensively useful. He continued in the full work of the ministry for thirty-eight years, successful and beloved in the various Circuits to which he was appointed. His health having failed, in 1841 he became a Supernumerary, and resided in Leeds ; where he occasionally preached, and assisted in meeting classes, until his last illness. Mr. Blackett was a man of great simplicity, of an excellent spirit, and an unblemished character. He attained a high state of grace, and preserved a holy and consistent deportment during the whole of his Christian and ministerial life. He had a good knowledge of religious truth, particularly of Wesleyan theology. His views of Christian doctrine were full and correct ; his sermons were plain, evangelical, experimental, and generally edifying. In the visitation of the classes he was instructive and encouraging ; mild yet firm in the exercise of discipline ; regular and conscientious in the performance of pastoral duties ; manifesting much kindness and sympathy in his visits to the sick and poor. To his colleagues and brethren he was uniformly affectionate, and was highly esteemed by them. His last illness was long, but he bore it with much patience ; and died, on the 29th of September, 1848, in great peace, in the seventieth year of his age, and the forty-sixth of his ministry.

(5.) RICHARD COOPER ; who was born at Woodend, Staffordshire, in 1782. He was religiously instructed by his parents, and

was evidently under the influence of Divine grace in early life; but he did not become decided in religion till he was twenty years of age. He then joined the Wesleyan-Methodist Society; and, with a penitent and believing heart, he sought and found the pardoning mercy, and the comforting and regenerating grace of God. From this time he became a spiritually-minded man, closely and devoutly walking with God to the end of life. Soon after his conversion, an intense desire for the salvation of others was awakened in his mind, and he began to preach Christ crucified. Divinely called to this office and work, he was received into the Wesleyan ministry in 1814, and fulfilled its obligations with earnestness, fidelity, and success. Though not distinguished by more than ordinary qualifications, he was eminently and uniformly a man of prayer, of singleness and simplicity of purpose, and of deep solicitude for the prosperity and extension of the work of God. He was also diligent and faithful in the discharge of his pastoral duties. In the earlier part of his ministry he caught a fever, from lying in a damp bed; from the effects of which he suffered during the remainder of his life. In 1846, increasing infirmities compelled him to become a Supernumerary, and he retired to Windsor; where he laboured as long as he was able, meeting a class, and engaging in pastoral visitation as fully as his strength would admit. His piety evinced maturity of preparation for his heavenly rest. His last sufferings he endured with Christian patience. He was strong in faith, giving glory to God; and, firmly and exclusively trusting in the atonement of Christ, he entered into the joy of his Lord, on the 30th of November, 1848, in the thirty-fifth year of his ministry.

(6.) THOMAS BAKER; who was born at Winteringham, in the Malton Circuit, in 1802. When about eight years of age, he was truly converted; receiving a clear sense of his acceptance with God, through faith in our Lord Jesus Christ, while engaging in prayer with some of his father's workmen, who were earnestly seeking the same blessing. His youthful piety displayed itself in very zealous efforts to lead all around him to God. After discharging the duties of Sunday-school Teacher, Prayer-Leader, and Local Preacher, he was, in 1829, proposed as a candidate for the Wesleyan ministry by the late Rev. Joseph Taylor, and accepted by the Conference. His preaching was practical and profitable, eminently attended with a Divine unction. In his deportment as a Christian Minister, he exhibited much firmness, blended with great kindness and generosity. Taking a sincere and lively interest in the temporal and religious welfare of the people of his charge, he lived in a very high degree in their affections. He was a man of prayer, regarding it as essential to the success of all his plans of usefulness, and constantly urging it upon the people of God as indispensable to the prosperity of Zion. On December

3d, 1848, as he was returning from his country appointment, he was suddenly seized with apoplexy, and expired soon after he was brought home : he thus passed away from a sphere of great usefulness to his heavenly and everlasting rest; having, for some time previously, given indications of a growing meetness for heavenly glory.

(7.) **DAVID MORGAN**; who was a native of Llangatock, county of Carmarthen, South Wales. At a very early period of his life he was convinced of sin, and brought to experience the saving grace of God through faith in Jesus Christ. Shortly after his conversion he began to exercise his talents in calling sinners to repentance, and preaching to them the Gospel of the grace of God. After labouring for some years with great acceptance and usefulness as a Local Preacher, he believed it to be his duty to consecrate himself wholly to the work of the Christian ministry; and, having passed through the regular examinations, he was accepted by the Conference in the year 1822. As a Minister of the Gospel, he was earnest, diligent, and faithful: his preaching was evangelical, energetic, and impressive; and generally accompanied with considerable unction and power. His labours were extensively owned and blessed of God in the conversion of sinners, as well as the edification of believers. He was a man greatly beloved both by his brethren in the ministry and the people in all the Circuits in which he was from time to time stationed. He was firmly attached to Wesleyan Methodism in all its departments, and whenever it was necessary he was always prepared for its defence. In the winter of 1847 he had an attack of paralysis, from the effects of which he never fully recovered. At the District-Meeting of 1848, he was recommended by his brethren to become a Supernumerary; but his answer, uttered with tears, was this: "If God gives me health, nothing will afford me greater pleasure than to take a Circuit next year. I would rather die in the work than become a Supernumerary." His request was granted: however, his usefulness was practically at an end. He endeavoured for awhile to attend to his ministerial duties, though with great difficulty and pain. For several weeks before his death he passed through severe suffering, and was completely prostrated by mental and physical infirmities. He departed this life, resting his eternal interest on the great atonement, in December, 1848, in the fifty-third year of his age, and the twenty-seventh of his ministry.

(8.) **GEORGE MARSLAND**. He was born at Birstal, in the year 1798, and was brought to God, under the ministry of the late Rev. William Bramwell, when about seventeen years of age. The effects of this happy change were immediately visible. He applied himself diligently to the cultivation of his mind, devoting all his leisure moments to the reading of the Scriptures, to private prayer, and to the examination of the writings of the best divines. The release which he obtained about this time from secular employment,

allowed of his engaging himself entirely in preparation of mind for future usefulness. Having been received on the Birstal Local Preachers' Plan, and subsequently on that of the Leeds Circuit, he was, after some time, admitted on trial by the Conference for the work of the ministry. In that work he laboured with acceptance for upwards of thirty years, showing himself to be "a workman that needed not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth." He was an affectionate relation, and a kind friend; an humble Christian and a faithful Minister and Pastor; possessing a well-cultivated mind, and talents of a very respectable character. His manner in the pulpit was calm and pleasing, but likewise forcible; and his preaching was well calculated to promote the edification of believers, whilst it was at the same time adapted to impress the careless and indifferent. He was highly esteemed as a Minister, and chiefly by those who knew him best. He had been appointed by the Conference of 1848 to labour a third year in the Bolton Circuit. On Sunday, January 21st, 1849, while preaching in the Fletcher-street chapel, he felt himself unwell, but no apprehensions of danger were entertained; but before the Sabbath closed, his spirit entered the rest of heaven. For this solemn and unexpected event his mind had been recently preparing, by increased spirituality and deadness to the world. He rested from his labours in the fifty-first year of his age, and the thirty-first of his ministry.

(9.) MOSES DUNN. When fifteen years of age, he was deeply convinced of sin under the Methodist ministry at North Frodenham, then in the Bridlington Circuit. For twelve months he sought the Lord sincerely and earnestly; entertaining, however, unauthorised expectations as to the method in which his pardon was to be ascertained. At the end of that time more scriptural views of the plan of mercy were followed by that personal trust in the atonement, and that Divine witness of adoption, which set at rest every doubt, and produced a joyous persuasion that he had become a child of God. After he began to exhort sinners to repentance, the very feeble and uncertain state of his health and hearing, for several years, rendered his ultimate engagement in the work of the ministry extremely questionable. He was received into full connexion by the Conference of 1811. His disposition was frank, generous, and affectionate. His piety was cheerful and consistent. His ministry was zealous, laborious, and successful. In the earlier part of it, especially, his preaching was accompanied with much Divine unction and power, and many souls were awakened and converted by his instrumentality. For some time before he relinquished the active duties of the ministry, his physical energies began to be impaired by a difficulty of breathing, which proved to be the result of a confirmed chronic *bronchitis*: he was, consequently, compelled, at the Conference of 1846, to retire to the Supernumerary list. His last illness was marked by severe

suffering; but he enjoyed, in no ordinary degree, the consolations which the religion of Christ affords. "At eventide there" was "light." When in acute pain he often said, "Here, I groan, being burdened; but I shall 'be clothed' in heaven;" in brief allusion to 2 Cor. v., which, during the later years of his life, was a very favourite chapter with him. He strongly felt the Gospel he had preached to others to be the "power of God unto salvation" to his own soul. He never expressed a doubt of his acceptance. The enemy was not permitted to disturb his peace. The grace which sustained him, and opened before him the prospect of heaven, was apparent in a determined and constant cleaving to the Saviour, rather than in any rapturous fervour. In the night before his death, he said, with much difficulty of utterance, "I am on the Rock,—the Rock of ages: it was cleft for me. Jesus died for me,—for me: that is my hope." On the 28th of January, 1849, without the least convulsive movement, he fell asleep, in the seventieth year of his age, and the forty-fifth of his ministry.

(10.) JAMES MOLE, of the Faversham Circuit; who was born at Bewdley, Worcestershire, August 19th, 1782. He joined the Methodist Society, in Birmingham, when about fifteen years of age, and very soon after experienced the forgiveness of sins and spiritual regeneration through faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. Having being several years employed as a Local Preacher, he entered our ministry in the year 1806; and from this time he laboured with diligence, acceptance, and efficiency in the various Circuits to which he was appointed; securing, by his uniform kindness, high principles, and fervent piety, the respect and love of his colleagues, and of the people of his charge. He devoted much of his time and attention to the children of our people; regularly holding meetings with them, even in the small villages of his Circuits; while at their homes he sought assiduously to lead them to an early and practical acquaintance with the truths of the Gospel. Many of those whose spiritual benefit he thus laboured to secure, have been removed to a better world; but many still remain as active and useful members of our Societies, who are witnesses of the success and value of these labours. His sermons were marked by the simplicity and earnestness with which he stated and applied evangelical truth, and were attended by much of the unction of the Holy Spirit. In pastoral oversight he was remarkably diligent and successful; and in the maintenance of discipline thoroughly kind and firm. He continued to labour with his accustomed ardour and cheerfulness till twelve days before his death, when he was suddenly laid aside. During his short but painful affliction his soul magnified the Lord, and his spirit rejoiced in God his Saviour; and when his strength so far failed as to render distinct enunciation impossible, he continued, with great mental energy, to give utterance to portions of Scripture

expressive of the most unqualified trust in the atonement, and of joy in the Holy Ghost. He died at Faversham, January 29th, 1849, in the sixty-seventh year of his age.

(11.) CHARLES TAYLOR. He was born at Honley, near Huddersfield; and was carefully trained by his parents, who were of the Independent denomination. From childhood he was influenced by very serious impressions on religious subjects. When about fourteen years of age, from curiosity he was induced to hear a respectable Wesleyan Local Preacher; and under the "word preached," it pleased God to awaken his conscience. The following evening, by invitation, he attended a class-meeting, where, seeking the Lord earnestly, he obtained a manifestation of pardoning mercy, and had his heart renewed in righteousness. He entered upon the work of the ministry at the Conference of 1834, and, by a diligent cultivation of the talents he possessed, he was enabled to discharge its duties with credit and success. His preaching abilities were above mediocrity. He was a clear thinker, and a fluent speaker. His sermons, which were generally short, were well arranged, and adapted to general usefulness. He was "a workman that needed not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth." He enjoyed also the confidence and esteem of the people of his charge. During his short public life, he suffered much from personal indisposition, as well as from painful domestic affliction and bereavement. These trials he bore with patience and resignation to the Divine will; and derived from them great spiritual benefit. His career closed suddenly, but peacefully, on the 24th of March, 1849, at Idle, in the Woodhouse-Grove Circuit, in the thirty-ninth year of his age, and the fifteenth of his ministry. Some of his last words were, "I am upon the Rock:" "I am going home"

(12.) JOSEPH ARMSTRONG, of the Ashburton Circuit; who was born near Carlisle, in the year 1777. At the age of twenty-three he was awakened to a sense of his guilt and danger as a sinner, and soon afterwards obtained peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. He entered upon his itinerant labours in 1808, and had the satisfaction of seeing fruit of his ministry. In the year 1836, in consequence of increasing infirmities, he was obliged to desist from the regular work of the ministry, and became a Supernumerary; but he continued to preach while he had opportunity and strength. In his last illness, which was but of short duration, there was not any cloud upon his experience, nor any doubt of his acceptance with God; and he departed this life in the full assurance of faith, and in the hope of a glorious immortality. He died at Hennock, near Ashburton, April 2d, 1849, in the seventy-second year of his age.

(13.) ABRAHAM E. FARRAR; who, for upwards of forty years, occupied an important position in the Wesleyan branch of Christ's

church, and stood forth prominently among his brethren. His conversion to God, which took place in early life, was sound, his Christian experience scripturally clear, and his religion decidedly practical. While yet a youth, the late Rev. William Bramwell, with his accustomed penetration, discovered in him an instrument preparing by and for the Lord : he therefore introduced him into the service of the sanctuary, where, by a careful and diligent cultivation of his mind, his ministerial qualifications became considerable. His temper was mild and amiable, his disposition kind and conciliating, his manners highly courteous, his conversation seasoned with piety, and his whole deportment strictly correct. As the Superintendent of a Circuit, he was diligent and laborious; as a Pastor, attentive to the poor, and sympathising with the afflicted. His private virtues secured him the affections of the people of his charge, while his public ministry was extensively acceptable and useful; and, as an evidence of the estimation in which he was held by his brethren, and of the confidence which they reposed in him, he was appointed to fill some of the most important offices of the Connexion. In his removal from the church, it has sustained a loss. For, although he had run a long and honourable race, yet appearances seemed to warrant the anticipation of years of continued labour; not, indeed, with the fire of youth, but, with what is equally required by the world and the church,—the gravity of age, accumulated stores of knowledge, maturity of intellect, the wisdom of experience, and the ripeness of piety; but, in such an hour as we thought not, the Great Master in effect said, “It is enough : servant of God, well done; enter the joy of thy Lord.” His sickness was short; and his death, at that time, was looked for by none save himself; as he appeared to have some presentiment that his labours and life would soon terminate. His house, however, was set in order; his “loins girded about, and his light burning.” The last conversation in which he engaged, (within an hour of his decease, and conducted as calmly and with as much recollection as if he had been in full health,) was principally on the subjects of the crucified Saviour, and the realities of the heavenly world. He died, in the faith of our Lord Jesus Christ, and in the sure and certain hope of eternal life, on the evening of Easter Sunday, April 8th, 1849, aged sixty years.

(14.) JOHN ROGERS; who was born at Liverpool, in 1780. In early life he was converted to God, and soon gave evidence, by his piety and zeal, that he was designed by the Great Head of the church for a larger sphere of usefulness than that which his own immediate locality presented. After labouring for some time as an acceptable and useful Local Preacher, he was called into our ministry in the year 1807. His preaching, which in early life was distinguished by originality of thought, was also accom-

panied by the unction of the Holy Spirit; by which it was rendered signally efficient. In the year 1841, through physical infirmity, he was obliged to retire from the full work of the ministry; but in the more retired station to which he thus removed, he continued occasionally to labour until about nine months previous to his decease. At that time he was bereaved of his affectionate and beloved wife; and this event had so powerful an influence on his mental faculties, as to render him incapable afterwards of conducting any public service. In this state he continued till his death, on the 14th of April, 1849, in the sixty-ninth year of his age, and the forty-second of his ministry.

(15.) ROBERT JONES, 1st; who was a native of Denbighshire. He was converted to God in his youth, and maintained a deep and effective character of piety to the close of his career. As a Minister of Christ, he was acceptable, laborious, and much beloved by the people among whom he proclaimed the word of life. He possessed the affections and full confidence of his brethren in the ministry. His natural disposition was reserved, but exceedingly affectionate; which, however, produced no instability of character, inasmuch as he always sought to be governed by his own conscientious convictions. He died at Trefriw, Carnarvonshire, after a somewhat protracted illness, April 18th, 1849, in the forty-eighth year of his age, and the nineteenth of his ministry. His last words were, "All is well."

(16.) JOHN ASLIN; who was born at Gedling, near Nottingham. Of the time and circumstances of his conversion, no record has been found. His character, however, in early life, gave satisfactory proof that he had experienced the renewing power of the Holy Spirit. After due probation as a Local Preacher, and the usual recommendation and examinations, he was accepted as a Minister by the Conference of 1804; and laboured with fidelity, acceptance, and usefulness for forty-two years. From his youth his conduct was marked by the most unbending integrity and honour. He was distinguished by great purity of mind, meekness, and humility; and was eminently a peacemaker. He was a faithful man: whatever he undertook he performed. He was always generous in the construction he put upon the motives of others, in the readiness with which he forgave an offence, and in his almsdeeds and helpful sympathy. He was full of faith, habitually enjoying a high degree of Christian assurance, of which serenity and peace were the blessed fruits. As a Minister, he delighted in preaching Christ freely, fully, and faithfully; in calling sinners to repentance; and in urging upon believers the necessity of holiness of heart and life. He cared deeply for the souls of the people; and was very faithful in watching over them in the Lord. He enforced discipline with conscientiousness and forbearance; having compassion on infirmity, but not sparing

unrelenting offenders; yet even these seldom ventured to impugn his motives, or to charge him with partiality. He was a diligent reader of the writings of the old divines, but especially of the sacred Scriptures. Every year after his conversion he carefully perused the whole of the sacred volume, so that, in a memorandum written two years before his death, he said, "I have read the Bible through fifty times." At the Conference of 1846, he was compelled by bodily infirmities to become a Supernumerary; and from this period, his spirituality of mind and growing meetness for heaven became very manifest. Having gone to supply the place of a brother Minister for a few days, he was suddenly taken ill; and, after a sickness of only twenty-four hours, he died, in the full assurance of hope, on the 27th of May, 1849, in the seventy-fourth year of his age, and the forty-fifth of his ministry.

(17.) BENJAMIN GREGORY, SEN.; who, although possessing no religious advantages in his youth, was yet drawn by the Holy Spirit to seek God at a very early age. He commenced his ministry at the close of the year 1799, and laboured with great usefulness and acceptance for twenty-nine years and a half, principally in Lincolnshire and the North Riding of Yorkshire; where his memory is still most affectionately cherished. In the year 1829 he was obliged to retire from the itinerancy, and fixed his residence at Belper, in the vicinity of which he was born. There, by his amiable disposition, by the simplicity and consistency of his deportment, by his readiness still to spend himself in the work of the Lord, and by the zeal and efficiency of his pulpit-ministrations, he won the esteem and affection not only of the Society, but also of the inhabitants in general. His religious experience was sound, deep, and clear, and, during the last few years of his life, eminently happy. In his public ministrations were united ardent zeal, and deep scriptural knowledge, which made him "a workman needing not to be ashamed." In expounding the Scriptures his manner was grave and impressive; but his appeals were often vehement and impassioned. He had a vigorous mind, the powers of which were, however, in some degree concealed by extreme diffidence. Throughout his protracted illness he exhibited the faith and patience of a saint, and in cheerful confidence fell asleep in Christ, on the 23d of June, 1849, in the seventy-seventh year of his age.

(18.) RICHARD GREENWOOD; who was converted to God in early life, and whose fervent piety and zealous efforts to promote the interests of religion, greatly endeared him to the Bradford Society, of which he was an exemplary member. Having been engaged for some time as an acceptable and useful Local Preacher, he was recommended to the Conference as a candidate for the Wesleyan ministry, and entered upon the work, in which he spent the remainder of his life, in 1814. He engaged in this new sphere

of labour with a determination to consecrate all his powers to the service of the church and of mankind; and for thirty-five years he earnestly endeavoured, in the strength of Divine grace, faithfully to reduce this resolution to practice. His preaching was evangelical, and characterized by plainness, perspicuity, and brevity. In the discharge of his various duties as a Wesleyan Minister, he was regular and punctual. He conscientiously supplied all his preaching appointments, however distant; and visited the people of his charge from house to house, so that he was always much esteemed by those amongst whom he laboured. He removed to the Oakhampton Circuit in a somewhat debilitated state of health; but his mind was peaceful, and his desire of usefulness in his labours strong as ever it had been. He continued to be engaged in his ordinary Circuit employments till it pleased God to call him to cease almost at once to work and live. On the Sunday before his death, he went to the village to which he was appointed on the Circuit Plan, three miles from his residence, and preached with much seriousness and power from 1 Cor. v. 1. After returning home his strength failed so rapidly, that before another Sabbath his life and labours had terminated. His mind, however, was preserved in peace, and he was enabled to bear a happy testimony to the sustaining power of Divine grace. He died in the faith and hope of the Gospel, June 26th, 1849, in the sixtieth year of his age.

(19.) THOMAS JONES, 3d; who was a native of Pennal, Merionethshire, North Wales. He joined the Wesleyan Society when he was about fifteen years of age; and soon after, having experienced the blessings of salvation, he felt it his duty to persuade others to seek them. At the age of seventeen he began to call sinners to repentance. After labouring for some time, with zeal and acceptance, as a Local Preacher, he was induced to offer himself as a candidate for our ministry; and, having undergone the usual examinations, he was accepted, and in due time admitted into the Theological Institution. He received his first appointment, in the Principality of Wales, in the year 1841. He was a young man of amiable disposition, greatly beloved by the people among whom he laboured; and, during the short period in which he was permitted to exercise his ministerial office, he was diligent, earnest, and successful. During the last year his health failed, and he was obliged to become a Supernumerary. Through the whole of his protracted and painful affliction, his mind was graciously supported, and kept in perfect peace. A few days before his departure, he spoke of death and heaven with great confidence and holy joy. He fell asleep in Jesus, July 19th, 1849, in the thirty-fourth year of his age, and the ninth of his ministry.

(20.) EDWARD BATTY; who was a native of Liverpool, and was converted to God in his youth. Having acted for some time

as a Local Preacher in his native town, he was admitted on trial as a candidate for the Wesleyan ministry, in the year 1808. He entered upon the duties thus devolving on him, under a solemn persuasion of his responsibility to the Great Head of the church, and was enabled to fulfil them with zeal, fidelity, and success. In the prosecution of his labours, he declined no toil, and allowed no circumstances to prevent him from punctually attending his appointments, but those of physical inability, or the occasional occurrence of some higher obligation. His preaching was animated and impressive, evincing a deep conviction of the importance of the truths he delivered, and very earnest desires for the salvation of his hearers. By the kindliness of his spirit, and by his judicious counsels as a friend, he endeared himself to the people among whom he laboured. He was exemplary in the domestic relations of life, conscientious and exact in the discharge of the duties of personal religion, and maintained habitual communion with God. In 1848, through increasing infirmities, he became a Supernumerary, and took up his abode in the island of Guernsey. His interest in the work of God, however, was unabated. He preached as frequently as his strength allowed; took the charge of three classes; and was assiduous in visiting the sick, and in other pastoral duties. His removal from the earthly to the heavenly church was sudden. He was present in the Conference at its first sitting till twelve o'clock, and manifested great interest in its proceedings. Soon after midnight he was removed from the society of his ministerial brethren on earth to the immediate presence of Christ, and to the company of the spirits of just men made perfect. His death was eminently peaceful. To his medical attendant, he said, "My mind is quite undisturbed; I am not anxious for the future; I have been seeking a preparation for death for more than forty years." He died, July 26th, 1849, in the sixty-sixth year of his age, and the forty-first of his ministry.

(21.) THOMAS HARRISON. He went to the island of Antigua, as a planter, about thirty years ago; and, being at that time a stranger to vital godliness, he easily fell into the practices which then extensively prevailed among the people. About the year 1819, he formed an acquaintance with some of the Wesleyan Missionaries, and, by God's blessing upon their instrumentality, he was brought to a saving knowledge of Divine and evangelical truth. In 1821 he relinquished his secular employment, and was engaged, under the direction of the Conference, as a Missionary in the Antigua District; in which his diligent and faithful ministry, his consistent piety, and his assiduity in every department of his work, secured for him the esteem and confidence of all who knew him. In 1834 he was appointed Chairman of the Antigua District; but in 1836 the failure of his health compelled him to retire from the Mission work, and to return to England:

where, after an unsuccessful attempt to fulfil the regular duties of a Circuit, he became a Supernumerary. In that capacity he resided for some years in the neighbourhood of Peterborough, and during the last five years in the Fifth London Circuit. In both these places he preached as frequently as the state of his health permitted; and was especially diligent and useful in the practice of pastoral visitation. His last illness was short, and his death comparatively sudden, and connected with circumstances peculiarly solemn and afflictive. But he was not unprepared for the summons of his Master; and some of his last expressions, in conversation and in writing, gave very satisfactory assurance that "all was right," and that his end was peace. He died, August 9th, 1849, in the sixty-first year of his age, and the twenty-eighth of his ministry.

2. In *Ireland*, two, viz.,—

(1.) JAMES RUTLEDGE; who was a native of the county Leitrim. In his youth he enjoyed the privilege of attending the ministry of the Methodist Preachers, by whom he was instructed in the Gospel plan of salvation; and being early awakened to apprehend his condition as a sinner, he sought and obtained redemption in the blood of Christ, the forgiveness of sins. He entered the army in 1793; and even in that situation was enabled so to honour God, that he was made the instrument of great good to many of his fellow-soldiers. Having left the army, and returned to his native place, he gave such evidence of having received a Divine call to the ministry of the word, by his piety, talents, and usefulness, that, after the usual examinations, he was appointed to a Circuit in 1802; and from that time to the end of life continued to exercise a successful ministry in our Connexion. In 1840, in consequence of the pressure of infirmities attendant on old age, he was compelled to retire from the work in which his soul delighted, and to become a Supernumerary; choosing Clones, in the first instance, for the place of his residence. He was a man of strong understanding, great prudence, and unmovable fidelity. His natural temperament was warm, but so subdued by the influence of Divine grace, as to be manifested only by the ardour of his friendship, and his burning zeal for the salvation of immortal souls. His knowledge of the doctrines and discipline of Methodism was comprehensive and accurate, and he was strictly Wesleyan in his theology. His sermons were plain, instructive, and scriptural; and generally rendered deeply impressive by his manner and solemn appearance in the pulpit. He was a lover of peace, and particularly tender of the character of his brethren in the ministry, and of all absent persons. He was a wise and judicious Superintendent, and administered our discipline with such mildness of feeling as often secured the esteem even of those who were the subjects of his reproof. He finished his earthly course

in the town of New-Ross, after a few days' illness, in the full assurance of eternal rest through the infinite merits of his Redeemer, on September 5th, 1848, in the eighty-second year of his age, and the forty-sixth of his ministry.

(2.) ARCHIBALD MURDOCK; in the eighty-second year of his age, and fifty-ninth of his ministry. He was born near Forkhill, in the county of Armagh. From a child he knew the holy Scriptures; and such deep impressions were made on his mind while reading them, when about seven years of age, that he was led to retire into the fields, where, weeping aloud, he sought and found mercy by faith in Christ. Soon after receiving the knowledge of salvation by the remission of sins, he joined the Methodist Society; and so great was his love for class-meeting, that he frequently travelled eight miles on the Sabbath morning, to enjoy the opportunities which that institution affords for the promotion of personal piety. His ardent desire for the salvation of others led him early to recommend Christ to all around; and having been called, according to our discipline, to engage in the work of the ministry, (whether in this country, or in the West Indies, where he laboured successfully for six years,) he knew nothing amongst men "save Christ, and Him crucified." He became a Supernumerary in 1835, and during his residence in Longford, Ferbane, and Dunganon, he continued to preach, to meet classes, and to hold prayer-meetings, until his strength utterly failed. The consistency of his deportment made manifest the truth of his religious profession, and led many to say, "Behold an Israelite indeed, in whom there is no guile." He was a man of deep piety, and of great faithfulness in the discharge of the various duties of his station; his mind was vigorous and acute, and, habitually rising early, he diligently improved its powers by reading and study. He was well acquainted with his Bible, and his sermons were distinguished by clear and impressive views of evangelical truth, well calculated to enlighten the understandings and affect the hearts of his hearers. He was esteemed and beloved by his brethren in the ministry for the soundness of his judgment, the steadiness of his friendship, and the constancy of his attachment to our doctrines and discipline, which he was well prepared to defend when necessary. His last hours were eminently peaceful. After having partaken of the Lord's Supper with manifest delight, he prayed most fervently for the universal church of Christ, and for the conversion of the whole world, and fell asleep, without a sigh, on the 3d of October, 1848.

3. In our *Foreign Missions*, nine have died, viz.,—

(1.) STEPHEN BAMFORD; who was converted to God while in the army, in which he honourably served his Sovereign fourteen years. Three years after obtaining his discharge, Mr. Bamford was taken into our ministry, and was first stationed in Cumberland,

Nova-Scotia, in 1806. For nearly thirty years he laboured for the conversion of souls to God, and occupied successively most of our respectable Circuits in that part of the world, with acceptance to our people; and, although unable for the last twelve years of his life to undergo the fatigues and responsibilities of regular Circuit-work, he laboured to the best of his ability in the capacity of a Supernumerary. Mr. Bamford possessed naturally an active and vigorous mind, which he improved by valuable reading, and careful and accurate observation of men and things. But his best characteristics were, that he was a man of strong faith, of earnest prayer, and of a grateful spirit. His end was peace, resulting from a long-continued habit of implicit dependence on Jesus Christ as "the Lord his righteousness," and a consequent well-founded hope of immortal life. He died at Digby, Nova-Scotia, August 14th, 1848, in the seventy-eighth year of his age, and the forty-second of his ministry.

(2.) THOMAS PURSLOW; who died at Sierra-Leone, in the second year of his probationary ministry, aged thirty years. His piety was decided and consistent, and he lived eminently in the spirit of prayer. His affectionate disposition greatly endeared him to his brethren, and the people generally. His style of preaching was plain, earnest, and often pathetic. He was remarkable for a regular and orderly attention to his several duties, and unremitting in his endeavours to promote the spiritual and intellectual improvement of the Students in the Native Training Institution, in which he resided at the time of his death. He died October 2d, 1848, after an illness of ten days, supported by the consolations of religion, and reposing with entire confidence upon the merits of the Redeemer.

(3.) JOHN HUNT. This exemplary Christian Missionary was born at Balderton, near Newark, June 13th, 1812. Early in life he had impressive views of the providence of God; but in the eighteenth year of his age he was deeply convinced of sin, trusted fully in Christ for his own personal salvation, and "being justified by faith," had "peace with God" through Him. From the period of his conversion he was eminent for simple and devoted piety, sincerely seeking that the love of God might be perfected in him. He was a man of prayer; and assiduously diligent in searching the Scriptures. When he had acted in the capacity of a Local Preacher for about four years, he was accepted by the Conference as a candidate for our Missionary work, and placed as a Student in the Wesleyan Theological Institution, at Hoxton; where he remained nearly three years,—a pattern of attention, diligence, uniform Christian circumspection, and the kindest regard for his fellow-students. The progress which he made in his studies was great. He went as a Missionary to Feejee in the year 1838, and entered upon his extraordinary labours in that distant land at the commencement of the year 1839. For nearly ten years he was indeed instant "in season, out of season;"

crowding the services of a long life within that comparatively short space. He speedily acquired a knowledge of the language. The translation of the New Testament which has been published in Feejee, and which is pronounced to be a most excellent one, was made almost entirely by him. At the time when his last sickness came upon him, he was occupied in the translation of the Old Testament, which he hoped, if life were spared, to accomplish in five years. He also issued a course of Christian theology, in short sermons, which has been of very great use, and of which a much-enlarged edition was nearly finished at the time of his decease. To the spiritual work he was devoted with all his heart, and rejoiced in the abundant success which, by the visitations of the Holy Spirit, accompanied the preaching of the truth; of which a most cheering example occurred in a signal revival of religion at Viwa, in 1845. Mr. Hunt was a man of singular intellectual energy; of a piety which breathed the purest spirit of love to God and charity to man; of a patience which accumulated trials and difficulties failed to move; and of a "calmly-fervent zeal" which, in sickness and in health, in strength and in weakness, was always in pursuit of its one grand object,—the salvation of man. The influence which he possessed over persons of all classes, natives and foreigners, was exceedingly large and beneficial; and his "memory" among them is "blessed." Early in the month of August last he had a severe attack of illness, from which he never recovered. His death admirably corresponded to his life. "You see a bright prospect before you?" said Mr. Lyth. He replied emphatically, "I see nothing but Jesus." On another occasion, Mr. Calvert read the seventeenth chapter of St. John's Gospel, and engaged in prayer. Towards the close, Mr. Hunt began to weep. At length he burst out, and cried, "Lord, bless Feejee! Save Feejee! Thou knowest my soul has loved Feejee. My heart has travailed in pain for Feejee." Again he said, with great vehemence, "O, let me pray once more for Feejee! Lord, for Christ's sake, bless Feejee! save Feejee! save Thy servants! save Thy people! save the Heathen in Feejee!" "How strange," he said at another time, "I cannot realise that I am dying! and yet you all look as if I were. Well; if this be dying, praise the Lord!" Shortly before his death, he cried, "O for one more baptism!" "Have you had a fresh manifestation?" asked Mrs. Hunt. "Yes!" he replied: "Hallelujah! Praise Jesus!" He then added, "I do not depend on this," significantly shaking his head: "I bless the Lord, I trust in Jesus." Many expressions which he uttered are recorded by his affectionate colleagues and attendants, all indicating his love to the will of God, his entire trust in his Saviour, his freedom from all disturbance, and his triumphant victory over his last foe. He expired October 4th, 1848, in the thirty-seventh year of his age, and the tenth of his ministry.

(4.) **PHILIP LE BAS.** He was born in the island of Jersey, and converted to God in his youth. He was recommended to the Conference as a suitable candidate for the ministry in 1834, and was stationed as a Missionary in the south of France, where he laboured for some years with acceptance and success. He was a man of a strong understanding, and a well-cultivated mind. By diligent application he obtained a considerable degree of useful learning; and, having a competent knowledge of the French language, and a good address, his pulpit labours, while his health continued, were respectable and useful. Typhus fever, by which he was attacked when he was stationed at Caen, in 1843, left such a degree of nervous debility in his system, that he was never afterwards equal to the full amount of ministerial and pastoral work which the duties of a Circuit required; and this terminated in his death, at Bar-le-Duc, on the 26th of November, 1848. But death found him prepared. A short time before his decease, he said to a friend who inquired after his health, "If my body were in as good a condition as my soul, I should be a healthy man." Soon after, his mental powers were reduced to such a state of prostration, that he was incapable of giving to his friends any account of his state of mind; but before his departure he had a lucid interval, and, though he could not speak, he gave such signs as satisfied those around him that all was peace.

(5.) **JAMES M'BRYON;** who died at Dundee, in the twenty-ninth year of his age. He embarked as a Missionary for the West Indies, in November, 1846; and laboured, with acceptableness and usefulness, in the St. Vincent's District, until the autumn of last year, when he was compelled by affliction to return to this country. His death, which occurred January 20th, 1849, was peaceful and triumphant.

(6.) **JOSEPH ROBERTS,** 2d; who died at Palaveram, near Madras, April 14th, 1849, aged fifty-four. His vigorous constitution had gradually given way under the toils and cares of the Mission work; but it was not until within a few days before his death that he became seriously unwell: he then sunk rapidly. His departure from earth was tranquil and happy. A few hours previously, when Mrs. Roberts had read to him certain portions of Scripture, he exclaimed, "That is precious! how sweet! I never enjoyed anything so much!" and when asked if Jesus was with him, he answered, "Precious, precious!" During a momentary aberration of mind, through extreme weakness, he said, "I will take part in the service." When asked what he meant, he smiled, and replied, "I said, I will take part in the service;" alluding probably to the sacrament of the Lord's Supper, which was to be administered the next day to the Native Society, and which he had several times mentioned. These were his last words. He fell asleep in Jesus, welcoming death with calmness of mind, and with a

heavenly smile upon his countenance. Mr. Roberts was appointed to Jaffna in the year 1818; he subsequently laboured in Batticaloa and Trincomalee; and after a residence of fourteen years in Ceylon, returned to England; where he was stationed successively at Canterbury, Bristol, Sheffield, and Macclesfield. In 1842 he returned to India, and from that time until his death resided in Madras. His concern for the prosperity of the Mission, with the oversight of which he was entrusted, will be long testified by the results of his activity and zeal. His funeral was attended by a procession formed of all classes in Madras, from the highest officers of the government, down to the humblest natives, by whom he was greatly esteemed and beloved. Mr. Roberts was an excellent Missionary. His vigour of mind made the acquisition of the languages of the country in which he had to labour a work of comparative ease: his frank and generous nature endeared him to his colleagues; and, indeed, to all classes of the inhabitants of Ceylon, for whose spiritual benefit he laboured for many years with faithfulness and zeal. After his return to England, in 1833, he published a valuable volume, entitled "Oriental Illustrations of the Sacred Scriptures," which reached a second edition, and has been much read and admired as a remarkable chapter in the history of the human mind, and as throwing a light on numerous passages of the Holy Scripture which has brought out their meaning with peculiar beauty and force. He executed also some translations from the Tamul language, which were published by the Oriental Translation Society in London, connected with the Royal Asiatic Society for Great Britain and Ireland, of which Society he was a Corresponding Member, from an early period of his residence in the East. His health having been recruited by his residence in England, and the education of his children having been in a good measure accomplished, he again offered himself for Missionary service, and in the year 1842 succeeded the Rev. Jonathan Crowther as General Superintendent of the Society's Missions in the Presidency of Madras. In this vast field he found ample employment for his sanctified energies, and addressed himself to his work with the utmost zeal and devotion. In preaching the word of God both to Europeans and natives, and in the performance of pastoral duties, he was indefatigable; as well as in the superintendence of schools for children and catechumen-classes for young people. Though much engaged in the management of the temporal affairs of the Missions under his direction, he was an active member of the Committee of the Madras Auxiliary Bible Society, and of its Translation Committee, and of several other religious and charitable Associations. In addition to his other engagements, he prepared a lucid and comprehensive treatise on "Caste, and its bearing on Christianity and Missions," which was published in England a few years ago; he also contributed to the

“Methodist Magazine,” and other Periodicals, several very lucid and argumentative essays on “Paganism and Popery,” and on other subjects connected with the work of Missions.

(7.) FRANCIS WHITEHEAD; who died suddenly at Elsinour, Tobago, April 30th, 1849, in the thirty-fifth year of his age, and the twelfth of his ministry. He had laboured with acceptableness and usefulness in Jamaica, previously to his appointment to the St. Vincent's District.

(8.) ROBERT L. LUSHER; who, having been converted to God in early life, through the instrumentality of Methodism, was called, at the recommendation of the late Revds. Joseph Entwisle and John Gaulter, into our Missionary work in 1817. During the first ten years of his ministry he occupied the most important of our Mission Stations in Canada and Nova-Scotia; where, by his uniform piety, his amiable disposition, his uncompromising integrity, his pastoral devotedness, and his highly acceptable and useful pulpit-labours, he won for himself the esteem and confidence, not only of his brethren, but also of the Societies and Congregations over which he was placed. He returned to England in 1827; and, after labouring for several years with great acceptance in some of the more prominent of our home Circuits, he complied with the request of the Missionary Committee by again proceeding to Canada, as Chairman of the Eastern District, and resuming his ministerial duties amongst the people of his former charge. His health, however, speedily declined; and he was obliged, in 1843, to desist from the full and regular labours of a Christian Minister, and to become a Supernumerary. His piety grew with his intelligence and years. He was firmly attached both to our doctrines and our discipline, and he greatly endeared himself to his ministerial colleagues in all the Circuits in which he laboured. The last years of his life were years of deep affliction and sorrow; but they were years also of abundant spiritual consolation. His trust in the atonement of the Son of God was constant and unshaken; and, in his last sickness, his prospects were peculiarly bright and cheering. Not long before his death he was heard to say, “My trust is in Jesus;” and again,

“I the chief of sinners am,
But Jesus died for me.”

He died at Montreal, July 10th 1849, in the sixty-second year of his age, and the thirty-second of his ministry.

(9.) JEREMIAH HARTLEY. He was received as a probationer for the work of the ministry, by the Conference of 1843, on the recommendation of the Bechuana District-Meeting, South Africa; in which part of the Mission-field he had been previously employed four years as a Catechist. He is described by the Missionaries of the District, under whose eye his public life was

spent, as "pious, zealous, and highly useful." After a short illness, he peacefully entered into rest, at Imparani, in the thirty-sixth year of his age.

Q. V. Are there **OBJECTIONS** to any of our Ministers, or Preachers on Trial?

A. They were examined one by one.

Q. VI. What persons, who were in full connexion with the Conference, have now **CEASED TO BE RECOGNISED** as Ministers among us?

A. 1. John S. Stamp, James Catts, John Langston, and Thomas J. Jaggar.

2. James Everett, Samuel Dunn, and William Griffith, jun.*

3. James Archbell, John S. Philips, William Handcock, and John Gum, have retired from our work.

Q. VII. How are our Ministers, and Preachers on Trial, **STATIONED** for the ensuing year?

A. As follows; viz.,—

GREAT BRITAIN.

[N.B. Each of the places mentioned in these Stations, and numbered from 1 to 443, is the head of a Circuit.]

The Superintendent and other Minister or Ministers stationed in or appointed to the several Circuits undermentioned, is and are appointed by the Conference to preach, and to perform all acts of religious worship and Methodist discipline, in each and every of the Wesleyan-Methodist Chapels already erected, or to be erected, within each Circuit respectively, within the space of twelve calendar months, at such time or times, and in such manner, as to him or them shall seem proper; subject nevertheless to the Superintendent Minister.]

[**THOMAS JACKSON, PRESIDENT OF THE CONFERENCE.**

JOHN HANNAH, D.D., SECRETARY.]

I.—THE LONDON DISTRICT.

1 First London, (City-Road, &c.,) Joseph Fowler, Israel Holgate, Joseph Hargreaves, Frederick J. Jobson, J. Gilchrist Wilson, Joseph Chapman; Joseph Brookhouse, Joshua Fielden, Isaac Phenix, sen., William Brocklehurst, Seth Morris, Supernumeraries.

George Cubitt and William L. Thornton, M.A., are our Editors; John Mason is our Book-Steward.

Jabez Bunting, D.D., John Beecham, D.D., Robert Alder, D.D., and Elijah Hoole, are the General Secretaries for our Missions; Walter O. Croggon is the Superintendent, under the direction of the Missionary Committee, of the Irish Missions and Schools.

* The proceedings of the Conference in the case of these individuals, and in some similar cases, are reported in a subsequent part of these Minutes.

Wesleyan Theological Institution :—

Dr. Bunting is re-appointed as the President of the Institution.

Southern Branch, Richmond, THOMAS JACKSON, PRESIDENT OF THE CONFERENCE, Theological Tutor; Samuel Jackson, House-Governor; John Farrar, Classical Tutor; John D. Geden, Assistant Tutor.

Northern Branch, Didsbury, John Bowers, House-Governor; JOHN HANNAH, D.D., SECRETARY OF THE CONFERENCE, Theological Tutor; Jonathan Crowther, Classical Tutor; Benjamin Hellier, Assistant Tutor.

Uxbridge, John W. Greeves.

N.B. Brother Greeves shall act under the direction of the House-Governor at Richmond.

2 *Second London, (Great Queen-Street, &c.,)* John Lomas, George Maunder, William Davenport; Richard Reece, Supernumerary.

3 *Third London, (Spitalfields, &c.,)* Peter Duncan, Joseph Stinson, William O. Booth, Theophilus Woolmer; John Chettle, James Baker, Supernumeraries.

Thames Mission, William A. Quick, who shall change once on each Sabbath with the Ministers of the Third London Circuit.

4 *Fourth London, (Southwark, &c.,)* Timothy C. Ingle, Robert Thompson, Willson Brailsford, Samuel Coley; Robert Wheeler, James Lynch, Supernumeraries.

5 *Fifth London, (Lambeth, &c.,)* John Hall, Thomas Pennington, David Hay, Luke Tyerman; Thomas Key, Supernumerary.

6 *Sixth London, (Hinde-Street, &c.,)* Joseph Beaumont, M.D., Alexander Strachan, William Clegg, William Arthur; Joseph Sutcliffe, A.M., Joseph Lewis, William M. Bunting, John C. Leppington, Supernumeraries.

7 *Seventh London, (Chelsea, &c.,)* John Brown, 1st, George Scott, 1st; John Bicknell, Supernumerary.

8 *Eighth London, (Islington, &c.,)* John Scott, John Rattenbury, Thomas Vasey, Edward Lightwood, Michael C. Taylor; John Kershaw, Supernumerary.

9 *Deptford,* James J. Topham, John Lyth; Thomas Rogers, Supernumerary.

N.B. The Superintendent resides at Greenwich.

10 *Woolwich,* Robert Newstead, Peter Prescott, jun.

11 *Hammersmith,* John Geden, George T. Perks.

12 *Croydon,* James Rathbone, Robert G. Badcock; Edward Chapman, Supernumerary.

13 *Barking and Romford,* Edward Sackett, who shall change once in every four weeks, on the Lord's day, with the Ministers of the Third London Circuit.

14 *Leyton,* William Burnett, who shall change twice in every

quarter of a year, on the Lord's day, with the Ministers of the First and Eighth London Circuits.

N.B. Brother Burnett shall reside at Woodford, Essex.

- 15 *Ware and Bishop-Stortford*, George Hurst, William Lees.
 16 *Cambridge*, Joseph K. Tucker, Thomas S. Bowers, B.A.
 17 *Windsor*, Samuel Young, John Hebb ; John Nelson, 1st, Supernumerary.
 18 *Chelmsford*, James Walton, Isaac Phenix, jun.
 19 *Maldon*, Joseph B. West, Francis T. Tranmer.
 20 *Colchester*, James Ray, George Blencowe.
 21 *Manningtree*, Thomas Jones, 1st, Frederick Payne, Robert S. Ellis.
 N.B. Brother Payne shall reside at Harwich.
 22 *Ipswich*, John Newton, Joseph Pechey, Edwin Fice ; George North, Supernumerary.
 N.B. Brother Pechey shall reside at Woodbridge, Suffolk.
 23 *Hastings*, Henry W. Williams, John W. Close ; James Lancaster, Supernumerary.
 24 *Sevenoaks*, Samuel Lucas, 1st, Alexander T. James.
 25 *Tunbridge-Wells*, Andrew Kessen, LL.D., Edwin Thorley, Thomas Wilkinson.
 N.B. Brother Thorley shall reside at Tunbridge.
 26 *Lewes and Eastbourne*, Thomas Green, who shall change regularly with the Ministers of the Brighton Circuit.
 27 *Brighton*, William Barton, John Harvard, John Jones, 4th.
 N.B. Brother Harvard shall reside at Worthing.
 28 *St. Alban's*, Maurice Britton, Thomas Harding, Richard Woodfin.
 N.B. Brother Harding shall reside at Watford.
 29 *Guildford and Alton*, Thomas Shaw, John Eglinton, William Colbron.
 N.B. Brother Colbron shall reside at Alton, and Brother Eglinton at Godalming.
 30 *Dorking and Horsham*, John Owen, Joshua Mottram.
 N.B. Brother Mottram shall reside at Horsham.

THOMAS JACKSON, PRESIDENT OF THE CONFERENCE,
Chairman of the District.

ISRAEL HOLGATE, *Financial Secretary.*

II.—THE BEDFORD AND NORTHAMPTON DISTRICT.

- 31 *Bedford and Ampthill*, Joseph Entwisle, Walter Coates, James Hedges ; Maximilian Wilson, William Dixon, Supernumeraries.
 32 *Leighton-Buzzard*, John Wevill, Charles Carter, Henry Banks.
 N.B. Brother Banks shall reside at Stewkley.
 33 *Luton*, Thomas Stephenson, Benjamin John.
 34 *Dunstable*, Peter Cooper, John Vanes ; Joseph Walker, Supernumerary.
 35 *St. Neot's*, John D. Julian, John E. Cooke.
 36 *Biggleswade*, Wright Shovelton, John W. Wilson.

- 37 *Hitchin*, Thomas Dove, who shall change on one Sunday in every six weeks with the Ministers of the Biggleswade Circuit.
- 38 *Huntingdon*, John Coates, John Tucker, John Moore; John Piggott, Supernumerary.
- 39 *Northampton*, Benjamin Andrews, LL.D., Charles Clay; William Hinson, William Taylor, Supernumeraries.
- 40 *Towcester*, Thomas Pearson, 1st, Frederick F. Edmunds.
- 41 *Daventry*, John Wood, 1st, William Ford, William O. Aldom.
- 42 *Newport-Pagnell*, John Richards, 2d, James Hartle.
- 43 *Higham-Ferrers*, Samuel H. Wardley, Henry Keet.
- 44 *Wellingborough*, John Cullen, John W. Davies.
- 45 *Kettering*, John Mann; Henry Fish, A.M., Supernumerary.
- 46 *Market-Harborough*, William Jewett, John Walter; Richard Eland, sen., Supernumerary.
- N.B. Brother Walter shall devote every other Sabbath to the Kettering Circuit.
- 47 *Chatteris*, William Griffith, Thomas B. Goodwin.
- 48 *Oundle*, John Ingham, James Golding; Isaac Aldom, Supernumerary.

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THOMAS STEPHENSON, *Financial Secretary.*

III.—THE KENT DISTRICT.

- 49 *Canterbury*, James Cooke, 1st, Gregory A. Page.
- 50 *Faversham*, Jesse Pilcher, Charles G. Turton.
- 51 *Rochester*, Thomas Martin, John Crofts, Benjamin Gregory.
- 52 *Gravesend*, John Hobkirk, Henry J. Thomas.
- N.B. Brother Thomas shall reside at Dartford.
- 53 *Sheerness*, William Worth, who shall change on one Sunday in every six weeks with the Ministers of the Rochester Circuit.
- 54 *Margate*, Joseph Hollis, John G. Wilson.
- N.B. Brother Wilson shall reside at Ramsgate.
- 55 *Dover*, Thomas W. Smith, John Philp, William B. Pope; James Jarrett, Supernumerary.
- 56 *Deal*, John Smith, 1st, Jabez Overton.
- 57 *Rye*, Robert Keyworth, John F. Moody.
- 58 *Tenterden*, John W. Dawson, Edward B. Pinder.
- 59 *Ashford*, Joseph Wilson, Henry Pollinger.
- 60 *Sandhurst*, Jabez Rought, Pascho Hoskins.
- 61 *Maidstone*, George H. Rowe, George Rowe.
- Sittingbourne*, William Wedlock, who shall change on one Sunday in every four weeks with the Ministers at Faversham.

THOMAS MARTIN, *Chairman of the District.*

JOHN CROFTS, *Financial Secretary.*

IV.—THE NORWICH AND LYNN DISTRICT.

- 62 *Norwich*, William Sharpe, Matthew T. Male, James Wheeler; John Hanwell, Supernumerary.

quarter of a year, on the Lord's day, with the Ministers of the First and Eighth London Circuits.

N.B. Brother Burnett shall reside at Woodford, Essex.

15 *Ware and Bishop-Stortford*, George Hurst, William Lees.

16 *Cambridge*, Joseph K. Tucker, Thomas S. Bowers, B.A.

17 *Windsor*, Samuel Young, John Hebb ; John Nelson, 1st, Supernumerary.

18 *Chelmsford*, James Walton, Isaac Phenix, jun.

19 *Maldon*, Joseph B. West, Francis T. Tranmer.

20 *Colchester*, James Ray, George Blencowe.

21 *Manningtree*, Thomas Jones, 1st, Frederick Payne, Robert S. Ellis.

N.B. Brother Payne shall reside at Harwich.

22 *Ipswich*, John Newton, Joseph Pechey, Edwin Fice ; George North, Supernumerary.

N.B. Brother Pechey shall reside at Woodbridge, Suffolk.

23 *Hastings*, Henry W. Williams, John W. Close ; James Lancaster, Supernumerary.

24 *Sevenoaks*, Samuel Lucas, 1st, Alexander T. James.

25 *Tunbridge-Wells*, Andrew Kessen, LL.D., Edwin Thorley, Thomas Wilkinson.

N.B. Brother Thorley shall reside at Tunbridge.

26 *Lewes and Eastbourne*, Thomas Green, who shall change regularly with the Ministers of the Brighton Circuit.

27 *Brighton*, William Barton, John Harvard, John Jones, 4th.

N.B. Brother Harvard shall reside at Worthing.

28 *St. Alban's*, Maurice Britton, Thomas Harding, Richard Woodfin.

N.B. Brother Harding shall reside at Watford.

29 *Guildford and Alton*, Thomas Shaw, John Eglinton, William Colbron.

N.B. Brother Colbron shall reside at Alton, and Brother Eglinton at Godalming.

30 *Dorking and Horsham*, John Owen, Joshua Mottram.

N.B. Brother Mottram shall reside at Horsham.

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- 40 *Towcester*, Thomas Pearson, 1st, Frederick F. Edmunds.
- 41 *Daventry*, John Wood, 1st, William Ford, William O. Aldom.
- 42 *Newport-Pagnell*, John Richards, 2d, James Hartle.
- 43 *Higham-Ferrers*, Samuel H. Wardley, Henry Keet.
- 44 *Wellingborough*, John Cullen, John W. Davies.
- 45 *Kettering*, John Mann ; Henry Fish, A.M., Supernumerary.
- 46 *Market-Harborough*, William Jewett, John Walter ; Richard Eland, sen., Supernumerary.
- N.B. Brother Walter shall devote every other Sabbath to the Kettering Circuit.
- 47 *Chatteris*, William Griffith, Thomas B. Goodwin.
- 48 *Oundle*, John Ingham, James Golding ; Isaac Aldom, Supernumerary.

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THOMAS STEPHENSON, *Financial Secretary.*

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- 50 *Faversham*, Jesse Pilcher, Charles G. Turton.
- 51 *Rochester*, Thomas Martin, John Crofts, Benjamin Gregory.
- 52 *Gravesend*, John Hobkirk, Henry J. Thomas.
- N.B. Brother Thomas shall reside at Dartford.
- 53 *Sheerness*, William Worth, who shall change on one Sunday in every six weeks with the Ministers of the Rochester Circuit.
- 54 *Margate*, Joseph Hollis, John G. Wilson.
- N.B. Brother Wilson shall reside at Ramsgate.
- 55 *Dover*, Thomas W. Smith, John Philp, William B. Pope ; James Jarrett, Supernumerary.
- 56 *Deal*, John Smith, 1st, Jabez Overton.
- 57 *Rye*, Robert Keyworth, John F. Moody.
- 58 *Tenterden*, John W. Dawson, Edward B. Pinder.
- 59 *Ashford*, Joseph Wilson, Henry Pollinger.
- 60 *Sandhurst*, Jabez Rought, Pascho Hoskins.
- 61 *Maidstone*, George H. Rowe, George Rowe.
- Sittingbourne*, William Wedlock, who shall change on one Sunday in every four weeks with the Ministers at Faversham.

THOMAS MARTIN, *Chairman of the District.*

JOHN CROFTS, *Financial Secretary.*

IV.—THE NORWICH AND LYNN DISTRICT.

- 62 *Norwich*, William Sharpe, Matthew T. Male, James Wheeler ; John Hanwell, Supernumerary.

- 63 *Bungay*, Samuel Trueman, John Livingston; William Edwards, 1st, Supernumerary.
- 64 *North-Walsham*, James Jones, 1st, Charles Povah, William Harley.
- 65 *Yarmouth*, Thomas Rowland, James Brownell; James Waller, Supernumerary.
- 66 *Lowestoff*, Francis S. Keeling, Thomas Batten; William Welborne, Supernumerary.
- 67 *Framlingham*, Daniel Hateley, Abel Burgess.
- 68 *Diss*, Robert Colman, Thomas Brumwell, Charles E. Woolmer; John Reynolds, 1st, Supernumerary.
- 69 *New-Buckenham*, Benjamin G. Mitchell, Henry Needle.
- 70 *Bury St. Edmund's*, John Sharman, George Elliott.
- 71 *Holt*, John M. Budden, Edward Fison.
- 72 *Lynn*, Samuel Tindall, Thornley Smith.
- 73 *Swaffham*, John Weatherstone, William B. Dennis.
- 74 *Downham*, William Baker, jun., George Smith, 1st.
- 75 *Walsingham*, Richard Tabraham, William Baddeley.
- 76 *Wisbeach*, Reuben Partridge, Thomas Hughes; Henry Cheverton, Supernumerary.
- 77 *Thetford*, Theophilus Pugh, Joseph Portrey.
N.B. Brother Portrey shall reside at Methwold.
- 78 *Mildenhall*, Thomas Brothwood, William Rodman; Thomas Newton, Supernumerary.
- 79 *Ely*, Joseph Midgley, Sampson Cock, Joseph Simpson.

WILLIAM SHARPE, *Chairman of the District.*

SAMUEL TINDALL, *Financial Secretary.*

V.—THE OXFORD DISTRICT.

- 80 *Oxford*, Joseph Earnshaw, William Hopewell.
- 81 *High-Wycombe*, John Booth, Thomas Withington.
- 82 *Aylesbury*, George F. Driver, James Sugden.
- 83 *Witney*, Charles Westlake, John Dowty.
- 84 *Banbury*, John Stevens, James Hughes.
Kington, Edward Bramford, who shall change on one Sunday in every month with the Ministers at Banbury.
- 85 *Newbury*, William Davies, 2d, Thomas R. Jones.
- 86 *Reading*, Thomas Hodson, George Hagen; Samuel Leigh, Supernumerary.
- 87 *Hungerford*, Charles Williams, Uriah Butters, Charles Willis.
- 88 *Watlington*, Edmund Lockyer.
Thame, James Bartholomew.
N.B. The Ministers of the two preceding Circuits shall change on one Sunday in every six weeks.
- 89 *Brackley*, John Pearce, Ebenezer Tovey, Samuel W. Robinson.
- 90 *Chipping-Norton*, Samuel Cooke, John T. Morley.
- 91 *Swindon*, William Baker, sen., Alexander Puddicombe.
N.B. Brother Puddicombe shall reside at Far-rington.

- 92 *Wantage*, Zephaniah Job, James Cooke, 3d.
 N.B. Brother Cooke shall reside at Abingdon.
 JOSEPH EARNSHAW, *Chairman of the District*.
 CHARLES WESTLAKE, *Financial Secretary*.

VI.—THE PORTSMOUTH DISTRICT.

- 93 *Portsmouth*, William M. Harvard, A.M., Jacob Stanley, jun.,
 John Crawshaw.
 94 *Gosport*, George Beard, John Dawson.
 95 *Salisbury*, Daniel Chapman, William Hopkins; William
 Tranter, Supernumerary.
 96 *Poole*, James Cooke, 2d, Richard Eland, jun.; James
 Hyde, Supernumerary.
 97 *Wimborne*, John Fletcher, Peter Sharland; Thomas Fletcher,
 Supernumerary.
 98 *Ringwood*, John Bonser, who shall change regularly on the
 Lord's day with the Ministers at Poole.
 99 *Newport, Isle of Wight*, William Moister, John Parry, Henry B.
 Brown, William Hessel.
 N.B. Brother Parry shall reside at Cowes, Brother
 Brown at Ryde, and Brother Hessel at Ventnor.
 100 *Southampton and Winchester*, John Knowles, 2d, Edward Crofts,
 George Turner, 2d, James A. Macdonald;
 Richard Waddy, John Willis, Supernumeraries.
 N.B. Brother Crofts shall reside at Romsey, and
 Brother Macdonald at Winchester.
 101 *Andover*, Thomas Bolas, Jacob Turvey.
 102 *Chichester*, John Knowles, 1st, William J. Dawson.

WILLIAM M. HARVARD, A.M., *Chairman of the District*.
 JOHN KNOWLES, 2d, *Financial Secretary*.

VII.—THE GUERNSEY DISTRICT.

- 103 *Guernsey, (English,)* Ninian Barr; William Toase, Super-
 numerary.
 104 *Guernsey, (French,)* John Renier, John de Putron.
 105 *Alderney*, George Leale.
 106 *Jersey, (English,)* John Shipman, William Worker; James
 Etchells, Supernumerary.
 107 *Jersey, (French,)* *St. Helier's*, Daniel Robin, Philip Tourgis;
 Amice Olivier, Supernumerary.
 108 *Jersey, (French,)* *St. Peter's*, James Hocart.
 James Hocart is the Editor of the French Magazine.
 JOHN SHIPMAN, *Chairman of the District*.

VIII.—THE DEVONPORT DISTRICT.

- 109 *Devonport*, John Smith, 2d, Samuel W. Christophers, Henry
 Young.
 110 *Plymouth*, James Mowat, Thomas Wood, George T. Morrison;
 Thomas Bersey, Oliver Henwood, Joshua Wade,
 Supernumeraries.
 111 *Launceston*, Humphrey B. Trethewey, John W. Roberts.

- 112 *Holsworthy*, John Allin, John Shipham.
 113 *Kilkhampton*, John L. Sanders, Henry W. Holland.
 114 *Liskeard*, Richard Moody, John Locke.
 115 *Callington*, William Sanders, Thomas Chope.
 116 *Tavistock*, John Ryan, 2d, William Way; Nicholas Sibly,
 Henry Hicks, Supernumeraries.
 117 *Camelford*, Edward Branston, William D. Tyack; John Robin-
 son, Supernumerary.
 N.B. Brother Tyack shall reside at Wadebridge.
 118 *Kingsbridge*, Josiah Mycock, James Mitchell.
 N.B. Brother Mitchell shall reside at Modbury.
 119 *Brixham*, John B. Alexander, Robert Rees.
 N.B. Brother Rees shall reside at Dartmouth.
 120 *Ashburton*, Samuel Brown, 1st, Henry Daniels.
 N.B. Brother Daniels shall reside at Buckfastleigh.
 • JOHN SMITH, 2d, *Chairman of the District*.
 JAMES MOWAT, *Financial Secretary*.

IX.—THE CORNWALL DISTRICT.

- 121 *Redruth*, Robert Bond, Edwin J. Sturges; William Thomas,
 Supernumerary.
 122 *Camborne*, Thomas Collins, Robert Lyon, John Gostick.
 N.B. Brother Gostick shall reside at Tuckingmill.
 123 *Falmouth*, Thomas Hardy, Matthew Andrew; Robert T.
 Rundle, Supernumerary.
 N.B. Brother Andrew shall reside at Penryn.
 124 *Truro*, Edward Nye, Michael Johnson.
 125 *Gwennap*, Thomas Jewell, Hender Geach, John Harrop.
 N.B. Brother Geach shall reside at St. Day.
 126 *St. Agnes*, James Pilley, James Fisher.
 127 *St. Austle*, Elijah Toyne, Joseph Payne, Frederick W. Briggs.
 128 *St. Mawes*, Benjamin Carvosso, who shall change once in every
 month, on the Lord's day, with the Ministers at
 St. Austle.
 129 *Bodmin*, Benjamin Elvins, John M'Kenny.
 130 *St. Columb*, William Harvie, Mark Symons.
 131 *Penzance*, Robert Young, John H. James, Henry L. Church;
 John Reynolds, 2d, Ralph Scurrah, Supernu-
 meraries.
 N.B. Brother Church shall reside at Newlyn.
 132 *St. Just*, Everit Vigis, Isaac Harding.
 133 *St. Ives*, William P. Burgess, Ebenezer R. Talbot, A.M.
 134 *Scilly Islands*, Thomas Robinson.
 135 *Helstone*, James Edney, Peter Parsons, Thomas Osborne;
 William Sleep, Joseph Womersley, Charles
 Colwell, Supernumeraries.
 136 *Hayle*, William Appleby, John Killick, John P. James;
 Simeon Noall, Supernumerary.
 137 *Marazion*, John Gregory, Elias Geake.
 ROBERT YOUNG, *Chairman of the District*.
 EDWARD NYE, *Financial Secretary*.

X.—THE EXETER DISTRICT.

- 138 *Exeter*, James Grose, William Seccombe; James Odgers, William Beal, Supernumeraries.
Crediton, Thomas Leach.
- 139 *Tiverton*, John Collier, William F. Clark.
- 140 *Taunton and Wellington*, John Hobson, Thomas Jefferies; William Vevers, Governor and Chaplain of the Wesleyan Proprietary School; John Simmons, Supernumerary.
 N.B. Brother Jefferies shall reside at Wellington.
- 141 *Bridgewater*, Henry Ranson, Henry B. Cox.
- 142 *South-Petherton*, Thomas Catterick, John Hugill.
 N.B. Brother Hugill shall reside at Crewkerne.
- 143 *Axminster and Honiton*, James Stott.
- 144 *Budleigh-Salterton and Ottery St. Mary's*, Ralph Stott, George Moone.
 N.B. Brother Moone shall divide his labours equally between the Axminster and the Budleigh-Salterton Circuits.
- 145 *Bridport*, Thomas Thompson, A.M., James Nance.
 N.B. Brother Nance shall reside at Lyme-Regis.
- 146 *Barnstaple*, Samuel Beard, Henry Hayman.
- 147 *South-Moulton*, James Sutch, James Hargreaves.
- 148 *Bideford*, John Williams, John Mollard, John Nowell, 2d; John C. Clendinnen, Supernumerary.
 N.B. Brother Mollard shall reside at Great-Torrington.
- 149 *Dunster*, John Saunders, William Williams, 2d.
 N.B. The Superintendent shall reside at Williton.
- 150 *Oakhampton*, William S. Bestall, Charles J. Williams.
- 151 *Teignmouth*, George Barnley, William P. Slater, Joseph Exell.
 N.B. Brother Exell shall reside at Newton-Bushell, and Brother Slater at Torquay.
- WILLIAM VEVERS, *Chairman of the District.*
 JOHN HOBSON, *Financial Secretary.*

XI.—THE BRISTOL DISTRICT.

- 152 *Bristol, North, (King-Street, &c.,)* Joseph Wood, William Hurt, John W. Etheridge, Ph. D., Thomas S. Monkhouse; John Woodrow, Joseph Bowes, Robert James, Supernumeraries.
- 153 *Bristol, South, (Langton-Street, &c.,)* John W. Button, James Carr; James Whitworth, Supernumerary.
- 154 *Kingswood*, James Allen, 2d, George Kevern; Joseph Cusworth, Governor of Kingswood School; Samuel Jones, A.M., Head-Master of the School.
- 155 *Banwell*, Joseph Crump, Thomas Sheers, George C. Harvard.
 N.B. Brother Harvard shall reside at Weston-super-Mare.

- 156 *Stroud*, Thomas Webb, George B. Mellor, John Bramley ;
William Mowat, Supernumerary.
N.B. Brother Bramley shall reside at Cirencester.
- 157 *Dursley*, John Crowe, John Anderson, Henry Laughner ;
Thomas Talboys, Daniel Osborne, Supernumeraries.
N.B. Brother Anderson shall reside at Eastington.
- 158 *Downend, (near Bristol,)* William Davies, 1st, John Bissell.
- 159 *Gloucester*, John Smedley, Richard Roberts.
- 160 *Tewkesbury*, John Evans, John Thomas, 2d ; James Roberts, 2d,
Supernumerary.
- 161 *Cheltenham*, John Kirk, 1st, William H. Cornforth, William
Edwards, 2d ; Frederick Calder, George Robinson, Supernumeraries.
N.B. Brother Edwards shall reside at Winchcombe.
- 162 *Newport, (Monmouthshire,)* Aquila Barber, John Spencer Jones,
William Powell, 2d ; Charles Haime, Supernumerary.
N.B. Brother Jones shall reside at Pillgwenlly.
- 163 *Cardiff*, Charles Tucker, William Fox, 2d.
N.B. 1. Brother Fox shall reside at Pontypridd.
2. The Ministers at Cardiff and Bridgend shall
change once in six weeks.
- 164 *Bridgend*, James Mayer.
- 165 *Monmouth*, Joseph Lowthian, Uriah Scott.
- 166 *Abergavenny and Pontypool*, Hugh Carter, Thomas Rogerson ;
Thomas Armett, Supernumerary.
N.B. The Superintendent shall reside at Pontypool.
- 167 *Ledbury and Forest of Dean*, James Meadmore, John Parsons,
John S. Workman.
- 168 *Hereford*, Samuel Taylor, Joseph L. Ball.
JOSEPH CUSWORTH, *Chairman of the District.*
JOHN W. BUTTON, *Financial Secretary.*

XII.—THE BATH DISTRICT.

- 169 *Bath*, John Rigg, James Bromley ; Thomas Ashton,
Francis B. Potts, Richard Harding, Supernumeraries.
- 170 *Bradford, (Wilts.,)* Hugh Jones, George F. White.
N.B. Brother White shall reside at Trowbridge.
- 171 *Midsomer-Norton*, William Box, Josiah Goodwin, Henry M.
Harvard.
- 172 *Frome*, William Hill, Joseph T. Sanger.
Warminster, George Clement, who shall change with the
Ministers at Frome once in six weeks.
- 173 *Melksham*, James Lees, Walter Vercoe.
- 174 *Devizes*, William W. Rouch, who shall change on one
Sabbath in every six weeks with the Ministers
at Melksham.
- 175 *Shepton-Mallet*, James Taylor, 1st, Thomas Flower.

- 176 *Sherborne*, James Smeeth, John Lesson; John Bustard,
Supernumerary.
177 *Weymouth*, Edward Jennings, Joseph Watson.
N.B. Brother Watson shall reside at Portland.
178 *Dorchester*, Thomas Payne, Charles Howe.
179 *Shaftesbury*, John W. Cotton, James S. Haigh.
180 *Glastonbury*, Henry V. Olver, John Samuel Jones.

JOHN RIGG, *Chairman of the District.*

WILLIAM BOX, *Financial Secretary.*

XIII.—THE FIRST SOUTH WALES DISTRICT.

(ENGLISH PREACHING.)

- 181 *Swansea*, Joseph Pratten, John G. Avery; Evan Parry,
Supernumerary.
N.B. Brother Avery shall reside at Neath.
182 *Merthyr-Tydvil*, Joseph Fletcher, John Osborne, Joseph Spencer.
183 *Brecon*, Paul Orchard, sen., Paul Orchard, jun.
184 *Carmarthen*, John Morgan, Alexander T. Weir; Thomas Warren,
Supernumerary.
N.B. Brother Weir shall reside at Llanelly.
185 *Haverford-West*, William Bytheway, Aaron Langley; William
Williams, 1st, Supernumerary.
N.B. Brother Langley shall reside at Milford.
186 *Pembroke*, Thomas Heeley, John Martin.

JOSEPH PRATTEN, *Chairman of the District.*

WILLIAM BYTHEWAY, *Financial Secretary.*

XIV.—THE SECOND SOUTH WALES DISTRICT.

(WELSH PREACHING.)

- 187 *Merthyr-Tydvil*, Rowland Hughes, Ebenezer Morgan.
188 *Crickhowell*, Owen Owen, Lewis Williams.
189 *Cardiff*, Henry Wilcox, Joseph Jones.
190 *Cowbridge*, John Rees.
N.B. 1. Brother Jones shall divide his labours
between the Cardiff and Cowbridge Circuits.
2. The Superintendents shall change on one
Sunday in every two months.
191 *Brecon*, Timothy Jones.
192 *Llandilo*, Evan Richards; Morgan Griffith, Supernumerary.
N.B. The Ministers in the Brecon and Llandilo
Circuits shall change on one Sunday in every
quarter.
193 *Carmarthen*, Thomas Jones, 2d, John Herbert; Hugh Hughes,
Supernumerary.
194 *Swansea*, Robert Williams; William Hughes, Evan Hughes,
Supernumeraries.
195 *Cardigan*, Robert Owen, Richard Evans; Griffith Hughes,
Supernumerary.
N.B. The Superintendent shall reside at Lampeter.

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- 196 *St. David's*, Isaac Jenkins.
N.B. The Ministers in the Cardigan and St. David's Circuits shall change on one Sunday in every quarter.
- 197 *Aberystwith*, John Lloyd, David Jones, 2d.
- 198 *Machynlleth*, William Rowlands; William Evans, Supernumerary.
N.B. The Ministers in the Machynlleth and Aberystwith Circuits shall change on one Sunday in every six weeks.
- 199 *Llanidloes*, Benjamin Roberts, Book-Steward; John Jones, 3d, Editor; Edward Jones, 1st, Supernumerary.
THOMAS JONES, 2d, *Chairman of the District*.
ISAAC JENKINS, *Financial Secretary*.

XV.—THE NORTH WALES DISTRICT.

(WELSH PREACHING.)

- 200 *Ruthin and Denbigh*, John Bartley, David Williams.
- 201 *Llangollen*, John L. Richards, John Evans, 2d.
- 202 *Corwen*, James Jones, 2d.
N.B. 1. Brother Evans shall divide his labours between the Llangollen and Corwen Circuits.
2. The Superintendents shall change on two Sundays in every quarter.
- 203 *Llanrwst*, Edward Anwyl, John R. Chambers, Evan Davies.
N.B. The Superintendent shall reside at Abergele.
- 204 *Holywell*, William Owens, Thomas Morris.
- 205 *Mold*, John Richards, 1st, Isaac Jones.
- 206 *Llanasa, (near Holywell)*, Lewis Jones.
N.B. The Ministers of the Llanasa and Holywell Circuits shall change on two Sundays in every quarter.
- 207 *Beaumaris*, Humphrey Jones, William Jones.
- 208 *Amlwch*, Methuselah Thomas.
N.B. 1. Brother W. Jones shall divide his labours between the Beaumaris and Amlwch Circuits.
2. The Superintendents shall change on two Sundays in every six weeks.
- 209 *Carnarvon*, David Gravel.
- 210 *Bangor*, Richard Bonner, Evan Pugh.
N.B. The Ministers of the two preceding Circuits shall change on two Sundays in every quarter.
- 211 *Pwllheli*, Robert Jones, 1st; Evan Edwards, Supernumerary.
- 212 *Barmouth*, David Evans, William Davies, 3d.
N.B. The Ministers of the two preceding Circuits shall change on two Sundays in every quarter.
- 213 *Dolgelly*, John Hughes, Daniel Jones.
- 214 *Llanfyllin*, Richard Prichard, Robert Jones, 2d; William Batten, David Jones, 1st, Supernumeraries.

- 215 *Llanfair*, William Powell, 1st.
N.B. The Ministers of the two preceding Circuits shall change on two Sundays in every quarter.

EDWARD ANWYL, *Chairman of the District.*

JOHN L. RICHARDS, *Financial Secretary.*

XVI.—THE BIRMINGHAM AND SHREWSBURY DISTRICT.

- 216 *Birmingham, West*, (*Cherry-Street, &c.*,) James Dixon, D.D., William H. Rule, William Wilson, 3d, Edward Brice; James Heaton, Robert Melson, William Bridgnell, Supernumeraries.
- 217 *Birmingham, East*, (*Belmont-Row, &c.*,) Joseph Roberts, John Bedford, John Hartley.
- 218 *West-Bromwich*, William Jackson, 1st, William H. Sargent.
- 219 *Wednesbury*, James Shoar, William Tarr, Benjamin Slack, John Keightley; Joseph Hunt, Supernumerary.
- 220 *Walsall*, Thomas Edwards, John Stirzaker, James Parkes; Jabez Yardley, Supernumerary.
- 221 *Wolverhampton*, Robert Sherwell, James Osborn, James Clapham.
- 222 *Dudley*, James Allen, 1st, John W. Thomas, Richard Sergeant; William Homer, Supernumerary.
- 223 *Stourbridge*, William Piggott, Christopher Ridler, Richard Hardy.
- 224 *Stourport*, Henry Powis, Edward Russell; Jacob Stanley, sen., Supernumerary.
- 225 *Worcester*, Elijah Morgan, James H. Rigg.
- 226 *Bromsgrove*, Charles Janion, who shall change on one Sabbath in every six weeks with the Ministers at Redditch.
- 227 *Evesham*, William Culcheth, Joseph Bate.
- 228 *Redditch*, John Walsh, Samuel Haigh.
- 229 *Coventry*, James Cheeswright, John Roberts, 2d.
- 230 *Leamington*, William D. Goy, George Curnock.
- 231 *Stratford-upon-Avon*, Thomas Denham, who shall change on one Sabbath in every month with the Ministers at Leamington.
- 232 *Hinckley*, Charles Vibert, John Smithson; William Stokes, Supernumerary.
- 233 *Shrewsbury*, John Tindall, Anthony Ward.
- 234 *Madeley*, (*near Ironbridge*,) James B. Holroyd, George Hughes, John Smart, William H. Bakewell.
- 235 *Wellington*, William Ricketts, Thomas Jeffery, John Bramwell.
- 236 *Ludlow*, John B. Whittingham, James Emory; Humphrey Parsons, Supernumerary.
- 237 *Kington*, Joseph T. Wilkinson, John Nelson, 2d.
JAMES DIXON, D.D., *Chairman of the District.*
JOHN BEDFORD, *Financial Secretary.*

XVII.—THE MACCLESFIELD DISTRICT.

- 238 *Macclesfield*, Corbett Cooke, Nehemiah Curnock, William R. Rogers, Joseph Mood.
N.B. Brother Rogers shall reside at Bollington.

- 239 *Buxton*, Thomas A. Rayner, Robert J. T. Hawksley.
 240 *Congleton*, John D. Carey, Thomas Brookes.
 241 *Namptwich and Crewe*, Abraham Watmough, William Henley.
 N.B. Brother Henley shall reside at Crewe.
 242 *Northwich*, Ebenezer Moulton, Thomas Richardson.
 243 *Burslem*, Barnard Slater, Levi Waterhouse.
 N.B. Brother Waterhouse shall reside at Hanley.
 244 *Tunstall*, Andrew Mackintosh, Charles Rawlings.
 N.B. Brother Rawlings shall reside at Kids Grove.
 245 *Newcastle-under-Lyne*, Samuel Atkinson, Charles Nightingale.
 246 *Longton*, William Chambers, William Allen, 3d.
 N.B. Brother Allen shall reside at Stoke.
 247 *Stafford*, Charles Hawthorne, Thomas Hulme.
 248 *Leek*, Thomas Hickson, William Brailey, John P. Johnson; William Wears, Supernumerary.
 249 *Uttoxeter*, Jonathan Barrowclough, Edward A. Telfer.
 250 *Cheadle*, Matthew Salt.
 N.B. Brother Salt shall change on one Sabbath in every four weeks with the Ministers at Uttoxeter.

CORBETT COOKE, *Chairman of the District.*

WILLIAM CHAMBERS, *Financial Secretary.*

XVIII.—THE LIVERPOOL DISTRICT.

- 251 *Liverpool, North, (Brunswick Chapel, &c.,)* William W. Stamp, William Illingworth, Samuel R. Hall; George Highfield, John Davis, Thomas Stead, Supernumeraries.
 252 *Liverpool, South, (Pitt-Street, &c.,)* Peter M'Owan, George Roebuck, William H. Taylor, William Willan; Calverley Riley, Supernumerary.
 253 *Liverpool, Welsh, (Benn's Gardens, &c.,)* Lot Hughes, Thomas Aubrey; Samuel Davies, 1st, Supernumerary.
 254 *Chester*, Charles Cheetham, Joseph Akrill; Isaac Lilly, John Jones, 2d, Supernumeraries.
 255 *Mold and Buckley-Mount*, Felix H. Pickworth, who shall change with the Ministers of the Chester Circuit once in every six weeks.
 256 *Carnarvon and Bangor, (English,)* John Bowman.
 Holyhead, William T. Nelson.
 N.B. Brother Bowman and Brother Nelson shall change on two successive Sundays in each quarter of a year.
 257 *Wrexham*, Robert Mainwaring, John Eaton.
 N.B. Brother Eaton shall reside at Oswestry.
 258 *Whitchurch, (Salop,)* Robert Totherick, Benjamin Smith.
 259 *Warrington*, Samuel Broadbent, George Dickinson.
 260 *Runcorn*, Robert H. Hare, William P. Peck.
 N.B. Brother Peck shall reside at Frodsham.
 261 *St. Helen's and Prescott*, Joshua Hocken, Robert Dyson.

- 262 *Southport and Ormskirk*, James Miller, William H. Lewis; John Phillips, Supernumerary.
N.B. Brother Lewis shall reside at Ormskirk.
- 263 *Wigan*, Thomas Moss, James Allen, 3d.
- 264 *Preston and Chorley*, James E. Moulton, Thomas Kent, Joshua Priestley; Joseph Meek, Supernumerary.
N.B. Brother Priestley shall reside at Chorley.
- 265 *Garstang*, Thomas Burrows, George Mather, Richard Smetham.
N.B. Brother Mather shall reside at Fleetwood.
- 266 *Lancaster*, William Coultas, James Faulkner.
- 267 *Newtown*, James Eacott, Edward Watson; John Nicklin, Supernumerary.

WILLIAM W. STAMP, *Chairman of the District.*

WILLIAM H. TAYLOR, *Financial Secretary.*

XIX.—THE MANCHESTER AND BOLTON DISTRICT.

- 268 *First Manchester*, (*Oldham-Street, &c.*,) William Naylor, Samuel Simpson, Thomas Nightingale, George C. Taylor; Walter Hussey, Abraham Stead, Supernumeraries.
- 269 *Second Manchester*, (*Irwell-Street, &c.*,) Richard Ray, Jonathan J. Bates, Thomas Capp, John Kirk, 2d; Thomas Slugg, Supernumerary.
- 270 *Third Manchester*, (*Grosvenor-Street, &c.*,) Charles Haydon, William Elton, Henry Castle.
- 271 *Fourth Manchester*, (*Bridgewater-Street, &c.*,) William Kelk, William Webb, 1st; William Shelmerdine, Supernumerary.
(*Welsh*,) Samuel Davis, who shall act under the direction of the Superintendent of the Fourth Manchester Circuit.
- 272 *Fifth Manchester*, (*Oxford-Road, &c.*,) George Osborn, Alfred Barrett, Samuel Wilkinson, 2d; Robert Wood, Supernumerary.
- 273 *Altrincham*, James Rosser, who shall change on one Sunday in every six weeks with the Ministers of the Fourth Manchester Circuit; William M'Kitrick, Supernumerary.
- 274 *Stockport, North*, (*Tiviot-Dale, &c.*,) Robert Newton, D.D.,—Isaac Keeling, William T. Radcliffe, William Spencer.
- 275 *Stockport, South*, (*Hill-Gate, &c.*,) John Brandreth, John T. Yeates.
- 276 *New-Mills*, John Cannon, Stephen P. Harvard.
- 277 *Glossop*, John Raby, Nicholas C. Pridham; George Marsden, Supernumerary.
- 278 *Ashton-under-Lyne*, John Boyd, William H. Bambridge, Charles B. Ritchie; Luke Heywood, Supernumerary.
N.B. Brother Bambridge shall reside at Hyde.

- 279 *Oldham*, Robert Heys, Joseph Moorhouse ; John Heape, Supernumerary.
- 280 *Delph, (Saddleworth,)* William Bramford, who shall change on one Sabbath in every five weeks with the Ministers at Oldham.
- 281 *Bolton*, John M'Owan, John E. Coulson, James Little, Frederick F. Woolley.
N.B. Brother Woolley shall reside at Farnworth.
- 282 *Rochdale*, Joseph Raynar, Samuel Merrill.
- 283 *Burnley*, Thomas Dunn, John M. Kirk, John Clulow.
- 284 *Bury*, William Bond, John Vine, John I. Dredge.
- 285 *Blackburn*, Benjamin Clayton, Francis W. Greeves.
- 286 *Haslingden*, Benjamin Frankland, sen., John Hearnshaw, Josiah Pearson.
- 287 *Bacup*, Abel Dernaley, William Exley ; Samuel Sugden, Supernumerary.
N.B. Brother Exley shall reside at Longholme, Rawtenstall.
- 288 *Colne*, Thomas Turner, John G. Cox.
- 289 *Clitheroe*, Dixon Naylor, George Abbott.
- 290 *Leigh*, John Jackson.
N.B. Brother Jackson shall change on one Sabbath in every six weeks with the Ministers at Bolton.
- ROBERT NEWTON, D.D., *Chairman of the District.*
JONATHAN CROWTHER, *Financial Secretary.*

XX.—THE HALIFAX AND BRADFORD DISTRICT.

- 291 *Halifax*, George Turner, 1st, Henry H. Chettle, Elijah Jackson, Joseph Millar ; Michael Cousin, John W. Barritt, Supernumeraries.
- 292 *Huddersfield, First, (Queen-Street, &c.,)* George B. Macdonald, William R. Williams.
- 293 *Huddersfield, Second, (Buxton-Road, &c.,)* Francis A. West, Amos Learoyd, Edmond Knaggs.
- 294 *Holmfirth*, John Wilson, 1st, John Hanson, Joseph Garrett ; Thomas Hill, Supernumerary.
- 295 *Sowerby-Bridge*, Isaac Denison, John Ward, 1st, Joseph Binns.
- 296 *Todmorden*, John Bell, Robert S. Hardy, John Luddington.
- 297 *Denby-Dale, (near Huddersfield,)* James Bate, Peter Featherstone.
- 298 *Bradford, West, (Kirkgate Chapel, &c.,)* Edward Walker, John Morris ; Stephen Wilson, Joseph Pretty, Supernumeraries.
- 299 *Bradford, East, (Eastbrook Chapel, &c.,)* William Bird, Daniel Walton, James D. Brocklehurst.
- 300 *Great Horton, (near Bradford,)* John T. Barr, John Ward, 2d.
- 301 *Keighley*, James Beckwith, Henry Richardson, John H. Lord.
N.B. Brother Richardson shall reside at Haworth.
Letters should be sent to Haworth, near Keighley.
- 302 *Bingley*, Samuel Allen, George Greenwood.

- 303 *Shipley*, Benjamin Gartside, who shall change on one Sabbath in every five weeks with the Ministers at Bingley.
- 304 *Skipton*, William Levell, Richard Petch.
- 305 *Addingham*, Thomas Murray, Matthew Giles.
- 306 *Grassington*, James Lemmon, who shall change on one Sabbath in every six weeks with the Ministers at Skipton.
- 307 *Settle*, Christopher Newton, Thomas H. Brocklehurst.

FRANCIS A. WEST, *Chairman of the District.*
HENRY H. CHETTLÉ, *Financial Secretary.*

XXI.—THE LEEDS DISTRICT.

- 308 *First Leeds*, (*Brunswick Chapel, &c.*,) Robert Jackson, George Steward, Thomas Williams, 1st; Isaac Turton, John Roadhouse, Supernumeraries.
- 309 *Second Leeds*, (*Oxford-Place Chapel, &c.*,) James Methley, John Burton, Robert Leake, Alexander M'Aulay.
- 310 *Third Leeds*, (*St. Peter's Chapel, &c.*,) John P. Haswell, Joseph Lawton, Thomas O. Keysell.
- 311 *Fourth Leeds*, (*Wesley Chapel, &c.*,) Thomas H. Squance, John Watson, Richard Chapman.
- 312 *Bramley*, (*near Leeds*,) Benjamin Clough, James Kendall, 1st, Robert M. Willcox; Charles Radcliffe, Supernumerary.
- 313 *Wakefield*, William Atherton, Joseph T. Milner, Peter C. Horton, Gervase Smith.
- 314 *Birstal*, Benjamin Pearce, John P. Sumner, James P. Fairbourn; John Hodgson, James Fowler, Hodgson Casson, Supernumeraries.
- 315 *Dewsbury*, Richard Heape, William J. Shrewsbury, William Dawson; Benjamin Wood, Supernumerary.
N.B. Brother Dawson shall reside at Mirfield.
- 316 *Knaresborough*, Josiah Hudson, John P. Lockwood; Luke Barlow, Supernumerary.
- 317 *Otley*, William Ash, William Winterburn; William Waterhouse, Supernumerary.
- 318 *Pateley-Bridge*, Abraham Crabtree, William Wilson, 4th.
- 319 *Pontefract*, Samuel Fiddian, Samuel Hooley, John Harding, Calvert Spenseley; John Sedgwick, Thomas Moxon, Joseph Nicholson, Supernumeraries.
N.B. Brother Harding shall reside at Knottingley.
- 320 *Cleckheaton*, John Walker, Jabez Ingham.
N.B. Brother Ingham shall reside at Brighouse.
- 321 *Yeadon*, (*near Leeds*,) Leonard Posnet.
- 322 *Woodhouse-Grove*, William Sleigh, John S. Ridsdale; William Lord, Governor of Woodhouse-Grove School.
N.B. 1. Brother Ridsdale shall divide his labours between the Yeadon and Woodhouse-Grove Circuits.

2. Letters to the Superintendent should be directed to Idle, near Bradford; and letters for the School should be directed to Woodhouse-Grove, Apperley-Bridge, near Leeds.

WILLIAM ATHERTON, *Chairman of the District.*

PETER C. HORTON, *Financial Secretary.*

XXII.—THE SHEFFIELD DISTRICT.

323 *Sheffield, West, (Carver-Street, &c.,)* William Allen, 1st, Thomas P. Clark, John Hornby, Daniel West; Samuel D. Waddy, Governor and Chaplain of the Wesleyan Proprietary School; John M'Lean, Supernumerary.

324 *Sheffield, East, (Norfolk-Street, &c.,)* Thomas Harris, Richard Felvus, John C. Pengelly, Edward Jones, 2d.

325 *Chesterfield,* William Parker, William Lindley.

326 *Bakewell,* Robert Harrison, William Jackson, 3d.

327 *Bradwell,* Moses Rayner, Joseph Sutton.

328 *Rotherham,* Edward Sumner, Richard Brown.

329 *Wath,* Adam Fletcher, William Sugden.

330 *Doncaster,* Thomas Dickin, James Laycock, William Jessop; Thomas Garbutt, 1st, Supernumerary.

331 *Barnsley,* Ralph R. Keeling, Samuel Simmons.

332 *Retford,* Joseph Burgess, John Roberts, 1st, George Hobill.

333 *Worksop,* James Brooke, Henry J. Staley.

THOMAS HARRIS, *Chairman of the District.*

JOHN C. PENGELLY, *Financial Secretary.*

XXIII.—THE NOTTINGHAM AND DERBY DISTRICT.

334 *Nottingham, South, (Halifax Chapel, &c.,)* James Loutit, Robert Maxwell, Samuel Walker; Daniel S. Tatham, Supernumerary.

335 *Nottingham, North, (Wesley Chapel, &c.,)* George Taylor, William Fox, 1st, Robert M. MacBrair, M.A.

336 *Ilkestone,* William Dalby, George Buckley.

337 *Mansfield,* James Godden, John C. George; Richard Allen, Supernumerary.

338 *Newark,* William B. Stephenson, John Randerson; John Hickling, Supernumerary.

339 *Bingham,* Martin Jubb, William Allen, 4th.

340 *Leicester,* Stephen Kay, Richard Rymer; John Denton, David Deakin, Supernumeraries.

341 *Melton-Mowbray,* Henry Wilkinson, William H. Robson.

342 *Oakham,* Timothy R. Moxon, Andrew Rennard.
N.B. Brother Rennard shall reside at Uppingham.

343 *Stamford,* Henry Kirkland, Robert Brown.

344 *Grantham,* Thomas Armson, Thomas Rowe, Edward Addison.

345 *Peterborough,* Thomas M. Rodham, John Hirst, Thomas Derry.

346 *Loughborough,* David Cornforth, Frederick Slight.

347 *Castle-Donington,* John Parkes, Rupert Chawner.

- 348 *Derby*, William H. Clarkson, John Lambert, John Relph.
 349 *Ashbourne*, William Exton, who shall change once in every month with the Ministers at Derby.
 350 *Belper*, George Birley, Henry Hine.
 351 *Ripley*, (near *Alfreton*,) Samuel Timms, George Smith, 3d.
 352 *Ashby-de-la-Zouch*, Joseph Cheesewright, William Swallow.
 353 *Burton-on-Trent*, James Wilson, John B. Dyson.
 354 *Cromford*, John Hague, John F. England.

GEORGE TAYLOR, *Chairman of the District.*

JAMES LOUTIT, *Financial Secretary.*

XXIV.—THE LINCOLN DISTRICT.

- 355 *Lincoln*, William Bacon, Peter Budd, William Cattle, Thomas S. Wood.
 356 *Sleaford*, Joseph Floyd, John Nicholson, Philip Fowler.
 357 *Market-Raisen*, Thomas Eckersley, Joseph Sykes ; Thomas Padman, Supernumerary.
 358 *Louth*, John Stephenson, John H. Norton, Joseph Heaton, John H. Beech ; James Bumstead, Supernumerary.
 359 *Horncastle*, Thomas H. Walker, John Talbot, John Blackwell ; James Hopewell, Supernumerary.
 360 *Alford*, John Brown, 2d, Nathaniel Alston ; Robert Bryant, Supernumerary.
 361 *Spilsby*, Jonathan Cadman, George Oyston.
 362 *Coningsby*, Seth Dixon, who shall change with the Ministers at Boston and Horncastle, once in every six weeks with each Circuit ; George Ranyell, Supernumerary.
 363 *Boston*, Philip Hardcastle, James P. Dunn.
 364 *Wainfleet*, Ambrose Freeman, David Griffiths.
 365 *Spalding*, Robert Gover, Henry D. Lowe, Thomas Crosby. N.B. Brother Lowe shall reside at Holbech.
 366 *Bourne*, George Croft, Samuel Wesley.

WILLIAM BACON, *Chairman of the District.*

JOHN STEPHENSON, *Financial Secretary.*

XXV.—THE HULL DISTRICT.

- 367 *Hull, West*, (*Waltham-Street, &c.*,) Charles Prest, Henry Bleby, William Jackson, 2d ; Samuel Crompton, Supernumerary.
 368 *Hull, East*, (*George-Yard, &c.*,) Henry Davies, Thomas Llewellyn, William Davison ; Francis Derry, Supernumerary.
 369 *Beverley*, Samuel Brown, 2d, Thomas Powell.
 370 *Driffield*, Samuel Wilde, Joseph Officer.
 371 *Howden*, Isaac Woodcock, Jesse Edgoose.
 372 *Patrington*, Thomas Brown, Richard Smailes.

- 373 *Hornsea*, William G. Duncan, Edward King; John Jones, 1st, Supernumerary.
- 374 *Grimsby*, Benjamin Firth, Robert Dugdale, William J. Skidmore, George Scott, 2d; Edward Abraham, Supernumerary.
- 375 *Gainsborough*, William Crookes, Thomas Short, Henry J. Booth.
- 376 *Epworth*, Benjamin Hudson, Robert W. Broomfield.
- 377 *Snaith*, John Bolam, Joseph Kipling, Jacob Morton.
N.B. Brother Morton shall reside at Goole.
- 378 *Brigg*, Thomas D. Baines, George Southern.
- 379 *Barton*, Thomas Cocking, John M. Joll, Nathan Rouse;
John Nowell, 1st, Supernumerary.
- 380 *Bridlington*, Alexander Hume, William Hales, Edward Stokes;
Charles North, Supernumerary.

HENRY DAVIES, *Chairman of the District.*

ISAAC WOODCOCK, *Financial Secretary.*

XXVI.—THE YORK DISTRICT.

- 381 *York*, Alexander Bell, Robert Inglis, John Ryan, 1st,
Benjamin B. Waddy; John Burdsall, Anthony
Triffit, William Carlton, Matthew Mallinson,
William Blundell, Supernumeraries.
- 382 *Tadcaster*, Thomas Eastwood, John Simon.
- 383 *Pocklington*, Samuel Rowe, Henry Owen.
- 384 *Malton*, John H. Faull, Matthew Cranswick, James Kendall,
2d; Daniel Jackson, Supernumerary.
- 385 *Easingwold*, William Wilkinson, William Drewitt, William
Stevinson.
N.B. Brother Stevenson shall reside at Helmsley.
- 386 *Scarborough*, William Smith, 1st, William B. Thorneloe, James
Collier; Francis Collier, Supernumerary.
- 387 *Pickering*, Peter Prescott, sen., Edward Horton; Joseph Frank,
Supernumerary.
- 388 *Thirsk*, James Catton, Francis Barker, Richard Stepney;
John Kemp, Supernumerary.
- 389 *Ripon*, Thomas Kilner, James Harris.
- 390 *Selby*, Robert Day, Matthew Banks, John I. Muff.

ALEXANDER BELL, *Chairman of the District.*

WILLIAM SMITH, 1st, *Financial Secretary.*

XXVII.—THE WHITBY AND DARLINGTON DISTRICT.

- 391 *Whitby*, William J. Bullivant, Thomas Garbutt, 2d, John
Cannell.
- 392 *Stokesley*, John Haigh, Henry Graham, Thomas Timms;
William Rennison, Joseph Hutton, Supernu-
meraries.
- 393 *Darlington*, George Jackson, Luke H. Wiseman.
- 394 *Stockton*, William Binning, Thomas M. Fitzgerald, Henry
Smallwood; John M. Pearson, Supernumerary.
N.B. Brother Smallwood shall reside at Middles-
borough, and Brother Fitzgerald at Hartlepool.

- 395 *Barnard-Castle*, William Robson, George Russell, Thomas Sheldon.
 N.B. Brother Russell shall reside at Barningham, near Richmond, Yorkshire.
- 396 *Bishop-Auckland*, Robert Cooke, Joseph B. Dawson; John Bumstead, Supernumerary.
- 397 *Middleham*, John Imisson, Charles B. Potts.
- 398 *Richmond*, James S. Thomas, Samuel Lord.
- 399 *Reeth*, Thomas Kemshall, Alfred Abbott; John Rawson, Supernumerary.
- 400 *Bedale*, Myles C. Dixon, Joseph Whitehead; William Shackleton, Supernumerary.
 N.B. Brother Whitehead shall reside at Masham.
 GEORGE JACKSON, *Chairman of the District*.
 WILLIAM ROBSON, *Financial Secretary*.

XXVIII.—THE NEWCASTLE DISTRICT.

- 401 *Newcastle-upon-Tyne*, William Burt, William Pemberton, William Andrews, William M. Punshon; Francis Neale, Supernumerary.
- 402 *Gateshead*, Thomas Stokoe, Joseph Mortimer.
- 403 *North-Shields*, James C. Hindson, Henry Hastling; Robert Morton, Supernumerary.
- 404 *Blyth*, Samuel Brocksop, John Elam.
- 405 *South-Shields*, William Wilson, 2d, John Walters.
- 406 *Sunderland*, Thomas Staton, Jarvis Cheesman, Frederick Griffiths; Humphrey Stevenson, George Clarke, Supernumeraries.
- 407 *Houghton-le-Spring*, Samuel Lucas, 2d, John Wetherell.
- 408 *Durham*, James Scholes, George Ellidge.
- 409 *Wolsingham*, William Ingram, William Hirst.
- 410 *Hexham*, Robert Lewis, John Wood, 2d.
- 411 *Shotley-Bridge*, Peter Wilkinson, Thomas M'Cullagh.
- 412 *Alston*, Henry Dean, William Shaw, 2d.
- 413 *Allendale-Town*, Thomas Ballingall, Joseph Hirst.
- 414 *Alnwick*, David Edgar.
- 415 *Berwick*, Samuel Bowman, who shall change on two Sundays in each quarter with Brother Edgar.
- 416 *Morpeth*, Edmund Oldfield, who shall change on one Sunday in every three weeks with the Ministers of the Blyth Circuit.
 WILLIAM BURT, *Chairman of the District*.
 WILLIAM PEMBERTON, *Financial Secretary*.

XXIX.—THE CARLISLE DISTRICT.

- 417 *Carlisle*, Hugh Beech, John W. Crankshaw.
- 418 *Brampton*, Hugh Johnson, who shall change on one Sunday in every three weeks with the Ministers at Carlisle.
- 419 *Whitehaven*, Thomas Savage, Robert Cass.

- 420 *Workington*, Harry Pedley, Edward Baylis.
N.B. Brother Baylis shall reside at Cockermouth.
- 421 *Appleby*, Thomas J. Walker, William Foster; John Felvus,
Supernumerary.
N.B. Brother Foster shall reside at Brough.
- 422 *Penrith*, William Simpson, Alfred Lockyer, Robert Hors-
field.
- 423 *Wigton and Keswick*, Alexander Mansie, Thomas H. Hill.
N.B. Brother Hill shall reside at Keswick.
- 424 *Kendal*, John Lewis, 1st, Thomas Rigby; James Dunbar,
William Huddleston, Supernumeraries.
- 425 *Ulverstone*, William Parkinson, who shall change on one Sunday
in every six weeks with the Ministers at Kendal.
- 426 *Dumfries*, William Shearman.
HUGH BEECH, *Chairman of the District*.
WILLIAM SIMPSON, *Financial Secretary*.

XXX.—THE ISLE OF MAN DISTRICT.

- 427 *Douglas and Castletown*, Roger Moore, Charles Currelly,
Theophilus Talbot.
- 428 *Ramsay and Peel*, John Rossell, Samuel Healey, John Skidmore.
ROGER MOORE, *Chairman of the District*.

XXXI.—THE EDINBURGH AND ABERDEEN DISTRICT.

- 429 *Edinburgh*, William Horton, John Hay, William L. Horton.
- 430 *Dunbar and Haddington*, Benjamin Frankland, jun., B.A., who
shall change with the Ministers at Edinburgh,
under the direction of the Superintendent.
- 431 *Glasgow and Paisley*, John P. Hetherington, John Hannah, 2d;
William France, Supernumerary.
- Greenock*, William Mearns, M.A., who shall change with the
Ministers at Glasgow on one Sunday in every
six weeks.
- 432 *Airdrie, Stirling, and Doune*, Paul Clarke, John Danks, Henry
Balls.
N.B. The Superintendent shall reside at Stirling,
and Brother Balls at Airdrie.
- 433 *Ayr*, George Paterson.
- 434 *Aberdeen*, Peter Samuel, Richard Martin, Samuel M'Aulay;
George Douglas, Supernumerary.
- 435 *Dundee*, Jabez Palmer.
- 436 *Perth*, Edward Shelton, who shall change once in every
six weeks with the Minister at Dundee.
- 437 *Arbroath and Montrose*, John Drake, Lancelot Railton.
N.B. Brother Drake shall reside at Montrose.
- 438 *Banff*, Robert Haworth.
- 439 *Inverness*, Edmund B. Warters, who shall change with the
Minister at Banff on two Sundays in every six
months.
WILLIAM HORTON, *Chairman of the District*.
JOHN DRAKE, *Financial Secretary*.

XXXII.—THE SHETLAND ISLES DISTRICT.

- 440 *Lerwick*, Thompson Hesk, Daniel Farquhar, Thomas T. Dilks.
 N.B. Brother Farquhar shall reside at Dunrossness, and Brother Dilks in the Island of Whalsay.
- 441 *Walls*, James Findlay.
- 442 *Northmavin and Delting*, Benjamin N. Haworth.
- 443 *North Isles*, William Parsonson; William Langridge, Supernumerary.
 N.B. Brother Parsonson shall reside in the Island of Unst.
 THOMPSON HESK, *Chairman of the District.*

IRELAND.

I.—THE DUBLIN DISTRICT.

- 1 *Dublin, South*, (*Centenary Chapel, &c.*,) William Stewart, Daniel M'Afee, William P. Appelbe, LL.D., James S. Waugh; Robinson Scott, Governor and Chaplain of the Wesleyan Connexional School; William Ferguson, John Waugh, Thomas Beamish, Supernumeraries.
- 2 *Dublin, North*, (*Abbey-Street Chapel, &c.*,) William Reilly, George Vance, Frederick Stephens; Henry Deery, Michael Burrows, Arthur Noble, Supernumeraries.
- 3 *Kingstown*, Robert Masaroon; George M'Elwain, Supernumerary.
 N.B. Brother Masaroon shall change once in every three weeks with the Ministers in the Dublin North Circuit.
- 4 *Drogheda*, William Cather, John Carey; Patrick Ffrench, Supernumerary.
- 5 *Wicklow*, Robert Hamilton, Henry M. Beale, A.B.
 N.B. Letters should be directed to Rathdrum.
 WILLIAM STEWART, *Chairman of the District.*

II.—THE WATERFORD DISTRICT.

- 6 *Waterford*, John F. Mathews, Robert G. Jones.
- 7 *Carlow*, John Holmes, Richard Maxwell; Robert Banks, William Foote, Supernumeraries.
- 8 *Newtownbarry*, Robert Bamford, Edward Johnston, 2d.
- 9 *Wexford*, Henry J. Giles, George Chambers.
 JOHN F. MATHEWS, *Chairman of the District.*

III.—THE CORK DISTRICT.

- 10 *Cork*, Henry Price, Frederick P. Le Maitre,—Thomas Waugh; Joshua Harman, Supernumerary.
- Cove*, James B. Gillman, Supernumerary.

- 11 *Bandon*, John Greer, James Hutchison.
 12 *Skibbereen*, James Patterson, Mortlock Long.
 13 *Tralee*, John Hughes.

THOMAS WAUGH, *Chairman of the District.*

IV.—THE LIMERICK DISTRICT.

- 14 *Limerick*, Thomas Meredith, John Donald.
 15 *Roscrea*, Robert Bruce, William Crook, jun.
 16 *Cloughjordan*, James Murdock; John Rogers, Supernumerary.
 N.B. Letters for Brother Murdock should be directed to Borrisokane.

ROBERT BRUCE, *Chairman of the District.*

V.—THE TULLAMORE DISTRICT.

- 17 *Tullamore*, William Crook, sen., John Saul; Thomas Loughed, Supernumerary.
 18 *Athlone*, William Burnside.
 19 *Maryborough*, John Nelson, Thomas K. Whitaker.
 20 *Longford*, William Mulloy, Robert J. Meyer; William Keys, Supernumerary.

JOHN NELSON, *Chairman of the District.*

VI.—THE SLIGO DISTRICT.

- 21 *Sligo*, James Tobias, John Duncan.
 22 *Castlebar*, John Hill, James Kernahan.
 23 *Ballina*, John H. Atkins, James Bass; Charles M'Cormick, Supernumerary.
 24 *Boyle*, John Bagley.

JOHN HILL, *Chairman of the District.*

VII.—THE CLONES DISTRICT.

- 25 *Clones*, James Black, John H. Robinson.
 26 *Cootehill*, Wallace M'Mullen, William Christie.
 27 *Killesandra*, Nathaniel Hobart, James M'Clintock.
 28 *Castleblaney and Monaghan*, William Browne, Joseph Johnston.
 29 *Aughnacloy*, James Hughes.

JAMES HUGHES, *Chairman of the District.*

VIII.—THE ENNISKILLEN DISTRICT.

- 30 *Enniskillen*, Robert Huston, Robert Bell; Robert Crozier, John Nesbitt, Supernumeraries.
 31 *Brookborough*, Samuel Cowdy, Charles L. Grant.
 32 *Manorhamilton*, John Jebb, James Carey.
 33 *Lowtherstown*, William G. Campbell, Edward Best.
 34 *Ballyshannon and Pettigo*, John Oliver, James Lindsay; Samuel Kyle, John C. Irvine, Supernumeraries.

ROBERT HUSTON, *Chairman of the District.*

IX.—THE LONDONDERRY DISTRICT.

- 35 *Londonderry*, Gibson M'Millen, Samuel Ferguson.
 36 *Strabane*, Robert H. Lindsay, Robert Johnston; William Finley, Andrew Huston, Supernumeraries.
 37 *Omagh*, John C. Storey, Colin M'Kay; James M'Cutchan, Robert Carson, Supernumeraries.

ROBERT H. LINDSAY, *Chairman of the District.*

X.—THE BELFAST DISTRICT.

- 38 *Belfast, South*, (*Donegal-Square Chapel, &c.*,) John Williams, Robert Wallace; Matthew Lanktree, James Johnston, Edward Johnston, 1st, John Campbell, Supernumeraries.
 39 *Belfast, North*, (*Frederick-Street Chapel, &c.*,) William Lupton, Anketell M. Henderson; Thomas Ridgeway, Samuel Downing, Supernumeraries.
 40 *Ballyclare*, Robert Hewitt.
 41 *Donaghadee*, John Armstrong, John Higgins, who is to reside in Newtownards; Samuel M'Dowell, Supernumerary, who is to reside in Kirkcubbin.
 42 *Carrickfergus*, John Nash, Robert Beauchamp, who is to reside in Carrickfergus; Edward Cobain, Supernumerary, who is to reside in Larne.
 43 *Coleraine*, Joseph W. M'Kay, William Lough.
 44 *Magherafelt*, John Foster, John Gilbert.
 45 *Lisburn*, William Hoey, 1st, James Shaw; William Armstrong, Supernumerary.
 46 *Downpatrick*, William M'Garvey, John Hazleton.

JOHN WILLIAMS, *Chairman of the District.*

XI.—THE NEWRY DISTRICT.

- 47 *Newry*, Edward Harpur, John H. Boyd.
 48 *Dungannon*, William Hoey, 2d, John Dwyer; Edward Hazleton, who resides in Moy, Supernumerary.
 49 *Armagh*, Richard T. Tracy, Alexander Twiss.
 50 *Lurgan*, Hugh Moore, Robert G. Cather, A.M.
 51 *Moir and Dromore*, Benjamin Bayly, who resides in Moira, Robert A. Devers.
 52 *Tandragee*, George Burrows, William Butler.
 53 *Portadown*, Thomas Ballard, James Collier.

RICHARD T. TRACY, *Chairman of the District.*

IRISH AND FOREIGN MISSIONS.

I. EUROPE.

IRELAND.

- 1 *Lucan and Trim*, John Feely, Samuel Johnston.
- 2 *Kilkenny*, John Walker, James Keys.
- 3 *Tipperary*, Francis Morrow.
- 4 *Youghal*, Edward M. Banks.
- 5 *Fermoy*, John Liddy ; John Harrington, who is to reside in Mallow, Supernumerary.
- 6 *Kinsale*, Frederick Elliott.
- 7 *Berehaven-Mines*, Thomas M'Lorinan.
- 8 *Dingle*, George Magee.
- 9 *Ballinasloe*, Thomas Hickey ; William Cornwall, who is to reside in Tuam, Supernumerary.
- 10 *Nenagh and Killaloe*, James Sullivan, Henry Geddes.
- 11 *Kilrush*, Francis Stephens.
- 12 *Galway*, James Henry.
- 13 *Belmullet and Erris*, Robert H. Campbell.
- 14 *Cavan*, Thomas Foster, Thomas W. Baker.
- 15 *Donegal*, William Guard, William B. Lebert.
- 16 *Rathmelton*, James Donald.
- 17 *Newtownlimavady*, Jeremiah Wilson.
- 18 *Ballymena*, Robert Black.

FRANCE AND SWITZERLAND.

- 19 *Paris*, Charles Cook. One to be sent.
- 20 *Calais*, Philip Guiton.
- 21 *Boulogne*, Charles W. Cleeve, B.A.
- 22 *Caën, Le Bocage, &c.*, Peter Lucas, Charles C. de Boinville, who shall reside at Lisieux.
- 23 *Nismes, Anduze, La Vaunage, and La Gardonnègue*, Henry de Jersey, John L. Rostan, Luke Pulsford ; Peter Roy, Gideon Jaulmes, Assistant Missionaries.
- 24 *Ganges, &c., (Les Cevennes, West,)* John le Lievre, Assistant Missionary ; Henry Martin, Supernumerary.
- 25 *Nyons, &c., (Drôme and Upper Alps,)* Francis Farjat, Louis Martin, Peter Massot, Philip Neel.
- 26 *Lausanne and Aigle, (Switzerland,)* Matthew Gallienne, William Ogier.

CHARLES COOK, *Chairman of the District, and General Superintendent of the Missions in France and Switzerland.*

MEDITERRANEAN MISSIONS.

- 27 *Gibraltar*, Hilton Cheesbrough ; George Alton, Spanish Department.

II. ASIA.

CEYLON.

I.—THE SINGHALESE DISTRICT.

(SOUTH.)

- 28 *Colombo, South*, Daniel J. Gogerly; David de Silva, Native Minister.
- 29 *Colombo, North*, John A. Ponlier, Native Minister.
- 30 *Negombo and Rillegalle*, Daniel D. Pereira, Native Minister.
- 31 *Seedua*, D. L. A. Bartholomeuz, Native Minister.
- 32 *Galkisse*, Cornelius Wijesingha, Native Minister.
- 33 *Morotto*, P. G. de Zylva, Native Minister.
- 34 *Pantura*, One wanted.
N.B. The *Colombo North*, *Negombo*, *Seedua*, *Galkisse*, *Morotto*, and *Pantura* Circuits are under the care of the Superintendent of the Colombo South Circuit.
- 35 *Caltura*, John R. Parys, Native Minister.
- 36 *Galle and Amblangodde*, William H. A. Dickson.
N.B. William H. A. Dickson shall reside at Amblangodde.
- 37 *Belligam*, W. A. Lalmon, Native Minister.
- 38 *Matura, Dondra, and Goddapitiya*, C. W. de Hoedt, Native Minister.
N.B. The *Belligam*, and *Matura, Dondra, and Goddapitiya* Circuits are under the care of the Galle Superintendent.

DANIEL J. GOGERLY, *Chairman of the District, and General Superintendent of the Missions in South Ceylon.*

II.—THE TAMUL DISTRICT.

(NORTH.)

- 39 *Jaffna, Wannerponne, and Puttoor*, Peter Percival, John E. S. Williams; Richard Watson, Native Minister.
- 40 *Point-Pedro and Cattavelley*, Edward J. Robinson.
- 41 *Trincomalee*, John Walton.
- 42 *Batticaloa, First, (Puleanteevo)*, James Gillings.
- 43 *Batticaloa, Second, (Caravaoor)*, One earnestly requested.

PETER PERCIVAL, *Chairman of the District, and General Superintendent of the Missions in North Ceylon.*

CONTINENTAL INDIA.

—THE MADRAS DISTRICT.

Samuel Hardey, Peter Batchelor, Ebenezer E. Jenkins.
Tanquebar, John Pinkney, John Kilner; S. Dasagayam, Assistant Missionary.



46 *Manargoody and Trichinopoly*, Joseph Little; A. D. Ponniah, Assistant Missionary.

47 *Bangalore, (Tamul,)* Thomas Cryer.

SAMUEL HARDEY, *Chairman and General Superintendent of the Madras District.*

II.—THE MYSORE DISTRICT.

48 *Bangalore, (Canarese,)* John Garrett, Edward J. Hardey; William Walker, Assistant Missionary.

49 *Mysore,* Daniel Sanderson.

50 *Goobbee and Toomkeor*, Thomas B. Glanville; James M. Cranswick; Henry O. Sullivan, Assistant Missionary.

51 *Coonghul,* Joseph Morris.

JOHN GARRETT, *Chairman and General Superintendent of the Mysore District.*

MISSIONS IN AUSTRALASIA AND POLYNESIA.

I.—THE AUSTRALIA AND VAN-DIEMEN'S LAND DISTRICT.

NEW SOUTH WALES.

52 *Sydney, North, (York-Street,)* William B. Boyce, General Superintendent; William Butters, Joseph Oram.

53 *Sydney, South, (Chippendale,)* Frederick Lewis.

54 *Sydney, East, (Surrey-Hills,)* Benjamin Hurst.

55 *Paramatta,* Nathaniel Turner.

56 *Windsor,* William Schofield; John Pemell, Assistant Missionary.

57 *Bathurst,* Benjamin Chapman; John G. Millard, Assistant Missionary.

58 *Hunter's-River,* Samuel Wilkinson, 1st; William Byrnes, Assistant Missionary.

59 *Goulburn,* James Somerville, Assistant Missionary.

60 *Queenbeyan,* William Lightbody, Assistant Missionary.

61 *Camden and Wollongong,* No resident Missionary.

62 *Port-Macquarie,* Vacant for the present.

63 *Murirundi,* No resident Missionary.

64 *Moreton-Bay,* George Poole, Supernumerary.

AUSTRALIA FELIX.

65 *Melbourne,* Henry H. Gaud; John Harcourt, Assistant Missionary.

66 *Geelong,* Thomas B. Harris.

67 *Portland-Bay and Port-Fairy,* No resident Missionary.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

68 *Adelaide,* Daniel J. Draper, Thomas T. N. Hull; William C. Currey, Assistant Missionary; William Longbottom, Supernumerary.

69 *Burra-Burra,* John C. Thrum, Assistant Missionary.

70 *Willunga,* William Lowe, Assistant Missionary.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA.

- 71 *Swan-River*, John Smithies.

VAN-DIEMEN'S LAND.

- 72 *Hobart-Town and New-Norfolk*, John Eggleston, Jonathan Innes.
 73 *Ross, &c.*, John A. Manton.
 74 *Launceston*, Edward Sweetman, Francis Tuckfield.
 75 *Westbury*, Jabez B. Waterhouse.
 76 *Oatlands*, James Learmouth. One wanted.

WILLIAM B. BOYCE, *Chairman of the District, and General Superintendent of the Australia and Van-Diemen's Land Missions.*

II.—THE NEW-ZEALAND DISTRICT.

NORTHERN SECTION.

- 77 *Auckland and Pehiakura*, Walter Lawry, General Superintendent ; Thomas Buddle, Henry H. Lawry.

JOSEPH H. FLETCHER *has charge of the School for the education of the Children of the Missionaries in New-Zealand, the Friendly Islands, and Feejee.*

ALEXANDER REID *is Master of the Native Training Institution.*

- 78 *Mangungu and Wangaroa*, John Hobbs.
 79 *Waima and Newark*, John Warren.
 80 *Wairoa, (Kaipara,)* James Buller.

MIDDLE SECTION.

- 81 *Kawhia, Beecham-Dale, (Aotea,) and Mokau*, John Whiteley, Gideon Smales.
 82 *New-Plymouth, (Taranaki, North,)* Henry H. Turton.
 83 *Taranaki, South, and Waitatara*, George Stannard, Assistant Missionary.
 84 *Waingarua*, James Wallis.
 85 *Waipa and Wakatumutumu*, George Buttle.

SOUTHERN SECTION.

- 86 *Waimate and Patea*, William Kirk.
 87 *Wanganui*, William Woon.
 88 *Port-Nicholson, Cloudy-Bay, and Kapiti*, James Watkin, John Aldred.
 89 *Nelson and Motuika, (Middle Island,)* Samuel Ironside.
 90 *Waikowaiti, near Otago, (Middle Island,)* Charles Creed.

WALTER LAWRY, *Chairman of the District, and General Superintendent of the Missions in New-Zealand, and Visiter of the Missions in the Friendly and Feejee Islands.*

JOHN HOBBS, *Deputy-Chairman of the Northern Section of the New-Zealand District ; JOHN WHITELEY, Deputy-Chairman of the Middle Section ; and JAMES WATKIN, Deputy-Chairman of the Southern Section.*

III.—THE FRIENDLY ISLANDS DISTRICT.

- 91 *Tongatabu*, Peter Turner, William Webb, 2d, George Daniel,
George Miller, 2d.
92 *Habai*, Matthew Wilson, Thomas West.
93 *Vavau*, Stephen Rabone, Thomas Adams, Walter J. Davis.
94 *Niua-Tabutabu*, and *Niua-Fo-ou*, Benjamin Latuselu, Native
Assistant Missionary.

N.B. 1. *Inui*, or *Savage Island*, and *Uvea*, or
Wallis's Island, are chiefly under the care of
Native Teachers. English Missionaries are
earnestly requested.

2. John Thomas, 1st, is returning home.

PETER TURNER, *Chairman of the District*.

IV.—THE FEEJEE DISTRICT.

- 95 *Lakemba*, James Calvert, David Hazlewood, John Malvern.
N.B. Brother Hazlewood shall reside at Ono.
96 *Viwa and Bau*, Richard B. Lyth.
97 *Bua*, Thomas Williams, 2d.
98 *Nandy*, John Watsford, James Ford.

N.B. *Lomaloma*, *Oneata*, *Ovalau*, *Nokoratumba*,
and *Rotumah*, are chiefly under the care of Native
Teachers.

RICHARD B. LYTH, *Chairman of the District*.

III. AFRICA.

SOUTHERN AFRICA.

I.—THE CAPE OF GOOD HOPE DISTRICT.

- 99 *Cape-Town and Rondebosch*, Thomas L. Hodgson, Barnabas
Shaw, Benjamin Ridsdale.
100 *Wynberg, Simon's-Town, &c.*, Matthew Godman.
101 *Stellenbosch*, Edward Edwards.
102 *Somerset, (West,)* Richard Ridgill.
103 *Khamies-Berg, (Little Namaqualand,)* Joseph Jackson.
104 *Nisbett-Bath, (Great Namaqualand,)* John A. Bailie, Assistant
Missionary.
105 *Concordiaville, (Damaraland,)* Richard Haddy.
106 *Elephant-Fountain, (Damaraland,)* Joseph Tindall.
107 *Roode-Volk, (Damaraland,)* One wanted.

THOMAS L. HODGSON, *Chairman of the District, and General
Superintendent of the Missions in the Cape of Good Hope
District*.

II.—THE ALBANY AND KAFFRARIA DISTRICT.

COLONIAL CIRCUITS.

- 108 *Graham's-Town*, William Shaw, 1st, General Superintendent;
Horatio Pearse, George Smith, 2d.

- 109 *Salem and Farmerfield*, Ebenezer D. Hepburn, Assistant Missionary.
 110 *Bathurst and Lower Albany*, John Smith, 3d.
 111 *Fort-Beaufort and Upper Albany*, John Ayliff, George Chapman.
 112 *Port-Elizabeth and Uitenhage*, John Wilson, 2d.
 113 *Cradock*, John Edwards.
 114 *Somerset*, George H. Green.
 115 *D'Urban, (Fingo Mission,) and Fort-Peddie*, Henry H. Dugmore.
 One wanted.
 116 *Newton-Dale and Waterloo-Bay, (Fingo Mission,)* No resident Missionary.

N.B. The Ministers of the Colonial Circuits are to change regularly under the direction of the General Superintendent.

BRITISH KAFFRARIA.

- 117 *Mount-Coke*, William Impey.
 118 *King William's Town*, John W. Appleyard.
 119 *Wesleyville and East-London*, William Sargeant.
 120 *Haslope-Hills and Kamastone*, William Shepstone.
 121 *Lesseyton, Imvani, and Bonkolo*, Joseph C. Warner.
 122 *Wittebergen*, Johannes P. Bertram.

KAFFRARIA PROPER.

1. AMAXOSA.

- 123 *Butterworth*, One to be sent.
 124 *Beecham-Wood*, Under the care of Native Teachers.
 125 *Krili's Mission, (Hintza's Tribe,)* Francis P. Gladwin.

2. ABATEMBU.

- 126 *Clarkebury*, J. Stewart Thomas.
 127 *Morley*, William H. Garner.

3. AMAMPONDO.

- 128 *Buntingville*, No resident Missionary.
 129 *Shawbury*, No resident Missionary.
 130 *Palmerton, (Faku's Tribe,)* Thomas Jenkins.

PORT-NATAL AND AMAZULU.

- 131 *D'Urban*, William C. Holden.
 132 *Pietermaritzberg*, William J. Davis.
 133 *Kwangubeni, (Zwaartkops,)* George Parsonson.
 134 *Indaleni*, James Allison.

N.B. On all the Stations in Kaffraria the Brethren shall change on the Sunday, each with the nearest to him, once at least in every quarter of the year.

WILLIAM SHAW, Chairman of the District, and General Superintendent of the Wesleyan Missions in South-Eastern Africa.

III.—THE BECHUANA DISTRICT.

- 135 *Thaba-Unchu*, (*Baralongs*,) and *Lokualo*, (*Ligoia*,) James Cameron. One earnestly requested.
- 136 *Plaatberg*, (*Newlanders and Basutos*,) *Mirametsu*, (*Korannas*,) *Lishuani*, (*Basutos and Griquas*,) Richard Giddy; Joseph D. M. Ludorf, Assistant Missionary.
- 137 *Umpukani*, (*Basutos and Fingos*,) Gottlob Schreiner, Assistant Missionary.
- 138 *Imparani*, *Sevumelo*, and *Moteng*, (*Basutos*,) C. D. Van Soelen, Assistant Missionary.
- 139 *Colesberg*, Purdon Smailes.
- 140 *Bakolokua and Bakuakua*, Vacant for the present.

N.B. On all the Stations in the District the Brethren shall change on the Sunday, each with the nearest to him, once at least in every quarter of the year.

JAMES CAMERON, *Chairman of the District*.

WESTERN AFRICA.

I.—SIERRA-LEONE.

- 141 *Free-Town*, &c., Thomas Raston, John Lewis, 2d; Joseph Wright, Native Missionary; Walter Garry.
- 142 *Hastings*, &c., Charles Knight, Native Missionary; George H. Decker, Native Assistant Missionary.
- 143 *York*, &c., Richard Hart.

THOMAS RASTON, *General Superintendent of the Wesleyan Missions at Sierra-Leone*.

II.—THE GAMBIA.

- 144 *St. Mary's and Barra-Point*, Henry Badger, George Meadows.
- 145 *Ngabantang*, Vacant.
- 146 *M'Carthy's Island*, Joseph May, Native Assistant Missionary.

HENRY BADGER, *General Superintendent of the Gambia Missions*.

III.—THE GOLD-COAST, ASHANTI, AND OTHER PARTS OF GUINEA.

- 147 *Cape-Coast Town*, *Dixcove*, *Sekundi*, &c., Thomas B. Freeman,
- 148 *Anamabu*, *Akroful*, &c., No resident Missionary.
- 149 *Domonasi*, *Abassa*, *Mansu*, &c., Henry Wharton.
- 150 *British Akrah*, *Winnibah*, &c., Frederick Hart.
- 151 *Ashanti*, Charles Hillard; John Hagan, Native Assistant Missionary.
- 152 *Badagry and Abbeokuta*, John A. Martin, Native Assistant Missionary.

THOMAS B. FREEMAN, *General Superintendent of the Wesleyan Missions in Guinea*.

IV. AMERICA.

WEST INDIES.

I.—THE ANTIGUA DISTRICT.

- 153 *Antigua*, William Fidler, James Horne, Thomas James, George Sargeant.
 154 *Dominica*, George Blanchflower, Joshua Jordan.
 155 *Montserrat*, Thomas Pearson, 3d.
 156 *Nevis*, Robert Hawkins, Alexander J. Thompson.
 157 *St. Christopher's*, James Cox, Thomas Pearson, 2d, Samuel Simons, Samuel Smyth, William F. Turtle; John Mortier, Supernumerary.
 158 *St. Eustatius and St. Bartholomew's*, Benjamin Tregaskis.
 159 *St. Martin's and Anguilla*, William T. Waymouth; John Hodge, Supernumerary.
 N.B. Letters, &c., for St. Eustatius and St. Martin's, should be addressed to St. Christopher's.
 160 *Tortola*, William Satchell; Thomas M. Chambers, Assistant Missionary.

JAMES COX, *Chairman of the District, and General Superintendent of the Missions in the Antigua District.*

II.—THE ST. VINCENT'S AND DEMERARA DISTRICT.

- 161 *St. Vincent's, Kingstown*, William Bannister, Thomas Butcher, John S. Ellison, Edward Collier.
 162 *St. Vincent's, Biabou*, William Hudson, William Cleaver, Richard Wrench.
 163 *Grenada*, Henry Hurd.
 164 *Trinidad*, William L. Binks, Samuel Brown, 3d.
 165 *Tobago*, David Barley; James Elliott, Assistant Missionary.
 166 *Demerara, George-Town*, James Bickford, John Horsford, Joseph Biggs.
 N.B. Brother Biggs shall reside at the Arabian Coast.
 167 *Demerara, Mahaica*, William Limmex.
 168 *Demerara, Victoria*, William Heath.
 169 *Barbadoes*, John Corlett, James Banfield, Henry Padgham.

WILLIAM BANNISTER, *Chairman of the District, and General Superintendent of the Missions in the St. Vincent's and Demerara District.*

III.—THE JAMAICA DISTRICT.

- 170 *Kingston*, Jonathan Edmondson, General Superintendent; William West, George Savery, Samuel Burrell, William Tyson.
 171 *Montego-Bay and Lucea*, William Moss, Thomas Phelps.

- 172 *Spanish-Town*, John G. Manly.
 173 *Morant-Bay*, Edward Fraser.
 174 *Grateful-Hill and Stoney-Hill*, Robert A. Johnson.
 175 *Falmouth*, David Kerr.
 176 *St. Ann's Bay*, Edward S. Thompson.
 177 *Ocho-Rios*, William Sinclair.
 178 *Beechamville and Watsonville*, Martin Young. One wanted.
 179 *Bath and Port-Morant*, James Atkins, Herbert Carter, Alexander Foote, George Smith, 4th.
 180 *Port-Antonio*, George Millsom.
 181 *Guy's-Hill*, John Mearns.
 182 *Clarendon*, James Rowden; John Vaz, Assistant Missionary.
 183 *Savannah-la-Mar*, William G. Stedman.
 184 *Mount-Ward*, Edwin Blake.
 185 *Brown's-Town*, Timothy Curtis.
 186 *Duncan's*, Richard Hornabrook.
 187 *Yallahs and Bethesda*, William Hodgson.
 188 *Mount-Fletcher*, Henry B. Foster.
 189 *Linstead*, Henry B. Britten.
 190 *Belize and Charibb-Town, (Honduras-Bay,)* Joseph Webster, Herbert W. Haime.

JONATHAN EDMONDSON, *Chairman of the District, and General Superintendent of the Missions and Schools in Jamaica.*

IV.—THE BAHAMA DISTRICT.

- 191 *New-Providence*, Isaac Whitehouse, Samuel Annear.
 192 *Eleuthera, First, (Rock-Sound, &c.,)* William Williams, 3d, Assistant Missionary.
 193 *Eleuthera, Second, (Governor's Harbour, &c.,)* John B. Selley.
 194 *Harbour-Island*, Thomas Lofthouse.
 195 *Abaco, (Green-Turtle-Bay, &c.,)* William English.
 196 *Turk's-Island*, William Ritchie.
 197 *Bermuda, (Hamilton, &c.,)* John B. Brownell; Thomas H. Smith, Supernumerary.
 198 *Bermuda, (St. George's, &c.,)* James Aldis.

ISAAC WHITEHOUSE, *Chairman of the District, and General Superintendent of the Missions in the Bahama and Bermuda Islands.*

V.—THE HAYTI DISTRICT.

- 199 *Port-au-Prince*, Mark B. Bird; Joseph A. Heureaux, Assistant Missionary.
 200 *Port-au-Plaat and Samana*, William Towler.
 201 *Jérémie*, William T. Cardy.
 202 *Cape-Haïtien and Gonaïves*, James T. Hartwell.
 203 *Cayes*, St. Denis Bauduy.

MARK B. BIRD, *Chairman of the District, and General Superintendent of the Hayti Missions.*

THE BRITISH DOMINIONS IN NORTH AMERICA.

I.—MISSIONS IN CANADA, WEST.

INDIAN MISSIONS.

- 204 *St. Clair*, Thomas Fawcett, James Gray.
 205 *Muncey*, Samuel D. Rice, who is to pay special attention to the Manual Labour School ; Abraham Sickles.
 206 *Saugeeng*, John K. Williston.
 207 *Grand-River*, Rowley Heyland.
 208 *New-Credit*, William Ryerson.
 209 *Snake-Island*, William Young.
 210 *Schoogog*, One to be sent.
 211 *Alderville*, William Case, who is to pay special attention to the Industrial School ; Stephen Brownell.
 212 *Rice and Mud Lake*, Robert Brooking, John Sunday.
 213 *Rama and Orilia*, Horace Dean.
 214 *Beausoliel and French-River*, William Herkimer.
 215 *Owen's Sound*, David Sawyer ; John Neelands, Supernumerary.

DOMESTIC MISSIONS IN THE NEW SETTLEMENTS.

- 216 *Gosfield and Amherstburg*, Richard Whiting, Edwin Clement.
 217 *Mono*, John Goodfellow.
 218 *Notawasaga*, One to be sent.
 219 *St. Vincent*, One to be sent.
 220 *Barrie*, Luther O. Rice. One to be sent.
 221 *Brock*, William Steer.
 222 *Arremosa*, John Sanderson.
 223 *Sydenham*, William Dignam.
 224 *Goderich*, John Williams, John Laird.
 225 *Adelaide*, Ozias Barber, Joseph Hill.
 226 *Wardsville*, Edward Sallows. One to be sent.
 227 *Stratford*, James Hutchinson.
 228 *Peel*, Robert Lochhead.
 229 *Guelph*, James Spencer, Charles Fish.
 230 *Chippewa*, Reuben E. Tupper, George Case.
 231 *Seneca*, John Baxter, William S. Griffin.
 232 *Shannonville*, Daniel Wright.
 233 *Norwood*, William Morton.
 234 *Marmora*, Abraham Dayman.
 235 *Hungerford*, Joseph Reynolds.
 236 *Sherbrook*, Michael Baxter.
 237 *Cornwall*, William H. Williams, Lewis Morton.
 238 *Osgoode*, Henry Shaler.
 239 *St. Andrew's*, Francis Coleman, John Armstrong, 2d.
 240 *Bonchere*, Richard Wilson.
 241 *Buckingham*, John Armstrong, 1st.
 242 *Clarendon*, David Jennings.

ENOCH WOOD, *General Superintendent of Missions in Western Canada.*

II.—CANADA: EASTERN DISTRICT.

- 243 *Montreal*, John Jenkins, Charles de Wolfe, A.M., Charles Lavell, Henry Cox.
 244 *Quebec*, Charles Churchill, Lachlin Taylor.
 245 *Three-Rivers*, Malcolm M'Donald.
 246 *Wesleyville*, One wanted.
 247 *St. John's and Chambly*, Matthew Lang, John Douglas.
 248 *Huntingdon*, James Brock.
 249 *Russelton*, Hugh Montgomery.
 250 *Odell-Town and Hemingford*, John C. Davidson, Giffard Dorey.
 251 *Clarenceville*, Edmund S. Ingalls.
 252 *St. Armand's*, John Tomkins.
 253 *Dunham*, William Scott.
 254 *Shefford*, Rufus A. Flanders.
 255 *Stanstead*, John Borland.
 256 *Compton*, Thomas Campbell.
 257 *Sherbrooke*, Henry Lanton.
 258 *Melbourne and Danville*, Benjamin Slight, A.M.
 259 *Leeds*, One wanted.

MATTHEW LANG, *Chairman of the District, and General Superintendent.*

III.—THE NOVA-SCOTIA DISTRICT.

- 260 *Halifax*, Ephraim Evans, John M'Murray; William Bennett, Supernumerary.
 261 *Halifax County*, George O. Huestis.
 262 *Lunenburg*, Rowland Morton.
 263 *Liverpool and Mill's-Village*, Alexander W. M'Leod. One wanted.
 264 *Shelburne*, Robert A. Temple.
 265 *Barrington*, One wanted.
 266 *Yarmouth*, Richard Weddall.
 267 *Horton and Cornwallis*, Thomas H. Davies, James Narraway.
 268 *Windsor*, John Marshall.
 269 *Newport and Maitland*, Henry Pope, 1st, Robert E. Crane.
 270 *Truro and River-John*, William M'Carty.
 271 *Amherst*, William Croscombe.
 272 *Meccan and Parrsborough*, One wanted.
 273 *Wallace*, Jeremiah V. Jost.
 274 *River-Philip*, One wanted.
 275 *Guysborough*, Wesley C. Beals.

CAPE-BRETON.

- 276 *Sydney*, Richard Smith.
 277 *Ship-Harbour*, One wanted.

PRINCE EDWARD'S ISLAND.

- 278 *Charlotte-Town*, Frederick Smallwood, Henry Pope, 2d. One wanted. John B. Strong, Supernumerary.
 279 *Bedeque*, James Buckley.
 280 *Tryon and Crapaud*, One wanted.
 281 *Murray-Harbour*, One wanted.

EPHRAIM EVANS, *Chairman of the District, and General Superintendent.*

IV.—THE NEW-BRUNSWICK DISTRICT.

- 282 *St. John, South, (Germain-Street, &c.,)* Richard Knight, Robert Cooney.
 283 *St. John, North, (Portland,)* William Smith, 2d.
 284 *St. John, West, (Carlton,)* Henry Daniel, James Taylor, 2d.
 285 *Fredericton*, William Temple. One wanted.
 286 *Nashwaak*, One wanted.
 287 *Sheffield, &c.,* William Smithson.
 288 *Mill-Town*, Ingham Sutcliffe.
 289 *St. Stephen's and St. David's*, George M. Barratt.
 290 *St. Andrew's*, George Miller.
 291 *Sackville*, James G. Hennigar.
 292 *Point-de-Bute*, George Johnson.
 293 *Petitcodiac*, Robert A. Chesley.
 294 *Hopewell*, Christopher Lockhart.
 295 *Sussex-Vale*, Joseph F. Bent.
 296 *Woodstock and Andover*, John Allison.
 297 *Annapolis*, Michael Pickles.
 298 *Bridge-Town*, Arthur M'Nutt.
 299 *Aylesford*, Richard Shepherd.
 300 *Digby and Sissiboo*, One wanted.
 301 *Miramichi*, Sampson Busby.
 302 *Richibucto*, John Prince.
 303 *Bathurst*, William Allen, 2d.
 304 *Dalhousie*, One earnestly requested.
 305 *Wesleyan Academy, Mount-Allison, Westmoreland*, Humphrey Pickard, A.M., Principal; Albert Desbrisay, Supernumerary, Chaplain.

RICHARD KNIGHT, *Chairman of the District, and General Superintendent.*

V.—THE NEWFOUNDLAND DISTRICT.

- 306 *St. John's*, Edmund Botterell, Elias Brettle; Richard Williams, Supernumerary.
 307 *Harbour-Grace*, William E. Shenstone.
 308 *Carbonear*, William Faulkner.
 309 *Blackhead*, Thomas Angwin.
 310 *Perlican*, James England.
 311 *Island-Cove*, Samuel W. Sprague.

- 312 *Port-de-Grave*, John S. Addy.
 313 *Brigus*, John Snowball.
 314 *Trinity-Bay*, One wanted.
 315 *Bonavista*, Adam Nightingale.
 316 *Green-Bay*, John Brewster.
 317 *Burin*, John S. Peach.
 318 *Grand-Bank*, James Norris.
 319 *Hant's-Harbour*, One wanted.
 320 *Hermitage-Cove*, One wanted.

EDMUND BOTTERELL, *Chairman of the District, and General Superintendent.*

TERRITORIES OF THE HUDSON'S-BAY COMPANY.

- 321 *Norway-House, Lake-Winnipeg*, William Mason.
 322 *Moose-Factory*, One wanted.
 323 *Lac-la-Pluie and Fort-Alexander*, Peter Jacobs, Assistant Missionary.
 324 *Edmonton and Rocky-Mountains*, One wanted.
The Superintendence of these Missions is, for the present, placed under the direction of the REV. JOHN JENKINS, the Superintendent of Montreal.

N.B. 1. Thomas Haswell and Richard D. Griffith are returning home.

2. John Thomas, 3d, and Benjamin Field, are placed under the direction of the Missionary Committee.

APPOINTMENTS OF THE WESLEYAN CONFERENCE IN CANADA, IN CONNEXION WITH THE BRITISH CONFERENCE.

MATTHEW RICHEY, D.D., *President of the Conference.*
 CONRAD VANDUSEN, *Secretary.*
 ENOCH WOOD, *Superintendent of Missions.*

I.—THE TORONTO DISTRICT.

- 1 *Toronto City, East*, John Ryerson, Samuel Nelles, A.B.; Anson Green, who is our Book-Steward; George R. Sanderson, who is our Editor; Egerton Ryerson, D.D., who is Chief Superintendent of Schools by permission of the Conference.
 2 *Toronto City, West*, William Squire, George H. Davis.

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| 3 <i>Yonge-Street,</i> | Lewis Warner, James Hughes. |
| 4 <i>Humber,</i> | John Law, James C. Slater; John Culham,
Supernumerary. |
| 5 <i>Cooksville,</i> | David Wright; James Wilson, Superannuated. |
| 6 <i>Brampton,</i> | Peter Ker, David Clappison. |
| 7 <i>Oshawa,</i> | William Philp, William S. Blackstock. |
| 8 <i>Newmarket,</i> | Alexander Campbell. |
| 9 <i>Markham,</i> | Joseph Messmore, James Gooderham; David
Youmans, Superannuated. |
| 10 <i>Bradford,</i> | Cornelius Flummerfelt, John Webster. |

JOHN RYERSON, *Chairman of the District.*

II.—THE LONDON DISTRICT.

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| 11 <i>London,</i> | John Carroll, Alexander S. Byrne. |
| 12 <i>London Circuit,</i> | Richard Phelps, Edward White; Edmund
Stoney, Superannuated. |
| 13 <i>Devonshire,</i> | Charles Sylvester. |
| 14 <i>Blanchard,</i> | Thomas Williams. |
| 15 <i>Chatham,</i> | Samuel Fear. One to be sent. |
| 16 <i>St. Thomas,</i> | William Pollard. One to be sent. Thomas
Harmon, Superannuated. |

JOHN CARROLL, *Chairman of the District.*

III.—THE BRANTFORD DISTRICT.

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| 17 <i>Brantford,</i> | Claudius Byrne, Wellington Jeffers, who is to
reside at Paris; George Poole, Superannuated. |
| 18 <i>Malahide,</i> | Samuel C. Philp, John English. |
| 19 <i>Woodstock,</i> | Kennedy Creighton. One to be sent. |
| 20 <i>Ingersoll,</i> | Joseph Sheply. |
| 21 <i>Norwich,</i> | Robert Corson. |
| 22 <i>Simcoe,</i> | Francis Chapman. |
| 23 <i>Walsingham,</i> | George Kennedy; Matthias Holtby, Supernu-
merary. |
| 24 <i>Cayuga,</i> | Solomon Waldron. |
| 25 <i>Dumfries,</i> | Matthew Whiting, Charles W. M. Gilbert. |

WILLIAM RYERSON, *Chairman of the District.*

IV.—THE HAMILTON DISTRICT.

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| 26 <i>Hamilton,</i> | Henry Wilkinson, George Young; Daniel C. Van
Norman, A.M., Principal of Burlington Ladies'
Academy; S. Belton, Andrew Prindel, Super-
annuated. |
| 27 <i>Dundas,</i> | Samuel Rose, Alexander T. Green. |
| 28 <i>Nelson,</i> | Thomas Cosford, Thomas Jeffers; George Fergu-
son, Superannuated. |
| 29 <i>Georgetown,</i> | William Willoughby. |

- 30 *Grimsby*, Hamilton Biggar. One to be sent.
 31 *St. Catherine's*, William Price, William Ames.
 32 *Drummondville and Niagara*, Edwy M. Ryerson, John Hunt, who is to reside at Niagara.

HENRY WILKINSON, *Chairman of the District.*

V.—THE COBOURG DISTRICT.

- 33 *Cobourg*, John Bredin ; Alexander M'Nab, D.D., Principal of Victoria College ; Conrad Vandusen, Treasurer ; John Beatty, Supernumerary.
 34 *Peterborough*, Isaac B. Howard.
 35 *Port-Hope*, George Goodson.
 36 *Bowmanville*, Michael Fawcett, Alexander Potts.
 37 *Millbrook*, Charles Turver.
 38 *Colborne*, Silvester Hurlburt, Nelson Brown.

WILLIAM CASE, *Chairman of the District.*

VI.—THE BELLEVILLE DISTRICT.

- 39 *Belleville*, John Gemley.
 40 *Consecon*, Richard Jones, William H. Poole.
 41 *Sidney*, John Black, Robert Robinson.
 42 *Demorestville*, George Carr.
 43 *Hallowell*, William M'Cullough, William Coleman ; Daniel M'Mullen, Gilbert Miller, Supernumeraries.
 44 *Napanee*, William M'Fadden. One to be sent. Isaac B. Aylsworth, Supernumerary.
 45 *Sheffield*, John A. Williams.
 46 *Brighton*, George F. Playter, John C. Osborne.

RICHARD JONES, *Chairman of the District.*

VII.—THE KINGSTON DISTRICT.

- 47 *Kingston, East*, John Douse ; James Booth, Supernumerary.
 48 *Kingston, West*, Ephraim B. Harper ; Henry Byers, Supernumerary.
 49 *Wilton*, George Beynon, Charles Taggart.
 50 *Waterloo*, Cyrus R. Allison.
 51 *Gananoque*, David B. Madden.
 52 *Elizabeth-Town*, Joseph W. M'Collum, Thomas W. Constable ; Wyatt Chamberlain, Supernumerary.
 53 *Newborough*, Vincent B. Howard.
 54 *Bath and Amherst-Isle*, S. Miles, James Armstrong.
 55 *Perth*, Jonathan Scott ; Alvah Adams, Superannuated.

JOHN DOUSE, *Chairman of the District.*

VIII.—THE BROCKVILLE DISTRICT.

- 56 *Brockville*, Noble F. English.
 57 *Prescott and Augusta*, Simon Huntingdon, Henry Budge ; Ezra Healy, Superannuated.
 58 *Matilda*, James Musgrove, William Chapman ; Joseph Sawyer, Supernumerary.
 59 *Smith's-Falls*, John Lever ; William Brown, Supernumerary.
 60 *Kemptville*, Asahel Hurlburt.
 61 *Merrickville*, Thomas Bevitt.
 62 *Carlton and Pakingham*, Benjamin Nankevell, Thomas Hanna.
 63 *Winchester*, William M'Gill.

THOMAS BEVITT, *Chairman of the District.*

IX.—THE BYTOWN DISTRICT.

- 64 *Bytown*, Edmund Shepherd, David M'Dowell.
 65 *Westmeath*, John Howes.
 66 *Torbolton*, Jonathan Loverin.
 67 *Aylmer*, James Elliott.
 68 *Gattineau*, Erastus Hurlburt.
 69 *L'Orignal*, James Greener, Noble Armstrong ; Franklin Metcalf, Supernumerary.
 70 *Richmond*, William Andrews, William M. Pattyson.

EDMUND SHEPHERD, *Chairman of the District.*

Peter Jones is for the present year placed under the direction of the General Superintendent of Missions.

Charles Lavell is, by permission of the Conference, stationed in the city of Montreal.

Thomas Demorest is appointed Travelling Agent for the Book Concern.

William Haw having, in consequence of the death of his father, applied to the Conference for permission to visit England, and for leave of absence for twelve months, his request was granted.

David Hardie ———

Q. VIII. What is the NUMBER OF MEMBERS in our Societies?

A. As follows, viz.,—

IN GREAT BRITAIN.

<i>Circuits.</i>	<i>Members in Society.</i>	<i>Circuits.</i>	<i>Members in Society.</i>
FIRST LONDON	2760	Higham-Ferrers	512
Richmond	130	Wellingborough	449
Uxbridge	100	Kettering	226
Second London	1771	Market-Harborough	209
Third London and		Chatteris	445
Thames Mission	2609	Oundle	310
London Welsh	40	CANTERBURY	569
Fourth London	1699	Faversham	503
Fifth London	1908	Rochester	1199
Sixth London	2266	Gravesend	512
Seventh London	1333	Sheerness	334
Eighth London	1562	Margate	717
Deptford	1371	Dover	813
Hammersmith	634	Deal	255
Croydon	345	Rye	460
Barking, &c. . . .	260	Tenterden	372
Leyton	93	Ashford	306
Ware, &c. . . .	203	Sandhurst	669
Cambridge	491	Maidstone	474
Windsor	301	Sittingbourne	302
Chelmsford	236	NORWICH	1248
Maldon	218	Bungay	310
Colchester	713	North-Walsham	761
Manningtree	1013	Yarmouth	668
Ipswich	606	Lowestoff	395
Hastings	390	Framlingham	487
Sevenoaks	307	Diss	710
Tunbridge-Wells	512	New-Buckenham	495
Lewes, &c. . . .	194	Bury St. Edmund's	329
Brighton	646	Holt	646
St. Alban's	592	Lynn	949
Guildford, &c. . . .	243	Swaffham	837
Dorking, &c. . . .	71	Downham	609
BEDFORD, &c. . . .	1135	Walsingham	789
Leighton-Buzzard	1144	Wisbeach	689
Luton	948	Thetford	531
Dunstable	1012	Mildenhall	304
St. Neot's	425	Ely	520
Biggleswade	467	OXFORD	555
Hitchin	207	High-Wycomb	514
Huntingdon	780	Aylesbury	650
Northampton	1014	Witney	488
Towcester	441	Banbury	505
Daventry	668	Kinoton	254
Newport-Pagnell	400	Newbury	600

<i>Circuits.</i>	<i>Members in Society.</i>	<i>Circuits.</i>	<i>Members in Society.</i>
Reading	296	Marazion	593
Hungerford	755	EXETER	753
Watlington	242	Crediton	78
Thame	210	Tiverton	331
Brackley	722	Taunton	650
Chipping-Norton	360	Bridgewater	330
Swindon	230	South-Petherton	392
Wantage	429	Axminster	200
PORTSMOUTH	842	Budleigh-Salterton	285
Gosport	173	Bridport	388
Salisbury	1064	Barnstaple	482
Poole	938	South-Moulton	270
Ringwood	156	Bideford	712
Newport (Isle of Wight)	930	Dunster	327
Southampton, &c.	557	Oakhampton	215
Andover	327	Teignmouth	351
Chichester	167	BRISTOL, North	2362
GUERNSEY, English	437	Bristol, South	1349
Guernsey, French	970	Kingswood	1178
Alderney	69	Banwell	695
Jersey, English	467	Stroud	570
Jersey, French	1282	Dursley	536
DEVONPORT	989	Downend	700
Plymouth	1103	Gloucester	540
Launceston	1084	Tewkesbury	275
Holsworthy	532	Cheltenham	760
Kilkhampton	430	Newport	875
Liskeard	872	Cardiff	324
Callington	543	Bridgend	129
Tavistock	750	Monmouth	410
Camelford	373	Abergavenny	918
Kingsbridge	266	Ledbury	440
Brixham	220	Hereford	327
Ashburton	302	BATH	1069
REDRUTH	1554	Bradford, Wilts.	712
Camborne	2098	Midsomer-Norton	1804
Falmouth	1021	Frome	791
Truro	1513	Warminster	106
Gwennap	1684	Melksham	552
St. Agnes	957	Devizes	173
St. Austle	1320	Shepton-Mallet	1024
St. Mawes	332	Sherborne	604
Bodmin	920	Weymouth	660
St. Columb	549	Dorchester	394
Penzance	1079	Shaftesbury	915
St. Just	1580	Glastonbury	296
St. Ives	715	SWANSEA	504
Scilly Islands	108	Merthyr-Tydvil	916
Helstone	1500	Brecon	228
Hayle	1034	Carmarthen	227

<i>Circuits.</i>	<i>Members in Society.</i>
Haverford-West	610
Pembroke	577
MERTHYR-TYDVIL	570
Crickhowell	438
Cardiff	206
Cowbridge	120
Brecon	155
Llandilo	182
Carmarthen	301
Swansea	183
Cardigan	440
St. David's	104
Aberystwith	604
Machynlleth	456
Llanidloes	412
RUTHIN	502
Llangollen	414
Corwen	205
Llanrwst	639
Holywell	647
Mold	401
Llanasa	385
Beaumaris	382
Amlwch	422
Carnarvon	350
Bangor	499
Pwllheli	282
Barmouth	354
Dolgelly	489
Llanfyllin	554
Llanfair	300
BIRMINGHAM, West	1897
Birmingham, East	1704
West-Bromwich	783
Wednesbury	2577
Walsall	774
Wolverhampton	1412
Dudley	1757
Stourbridge	603
Stourport	675
Worcester	462
Bromsgrove	157
Evesham	354
Redditch	470
Coventry	344
Leamington	425
Stratford-on-Avon	164
Hinckley	602
Shrewsbury	328
Madeley	1078

<i>Circuits.</i>	<i>Members in Society.</i>
Wellington	908
Ludlow	598
Kington	370
MACCLESFIELD	1782
Buxton	500
Congleton	915
Namptwich	617
Northwich	763
Burslem	900
Tunstall	821
Newcastle-under-Lyne	800
Longton	432
Stafford	294
Leek	1035
Uttoxeter	615
LIVERPOOL, North	1480
Liverpool, South	2146
Liverpool, Welsh	630
Chester	960
Mold and Buckley-Mount	140
Carnarvon, &c.	41
Holyhead	59
Wrexham	341
Whitchurch	412
Warrington	500
Runcorn	773
St. Helen's and Prescot	528
Southport and Ormskirk	454
Wigan	559
Preston and Chorley	1266
Garstang	495
Lancaster	492
Newtown	600
MANCHESTER, First	1450
Manchester, Second	1747
Manchester, Third	1350
Manchester, Fourth	851
Manchester, Welsh	151
Manchester, Fifth	1180
Altrincham	474
Stockport, North	956
Stockport, South	820
New-Mills	527
Glossop	715
Ashton-under-Lyne	1050
Oldham	770
Delph	167
Bolton	2155
Rochdale	1310
Burnley	1294

<i>Circuits.</i>	<i>Members in Society.</i>	<i>Circuits.</i>	<i>Members in Society.</i>
Bury	1092	Nottingham, North	1871
Blackburn	601	Ilkestone	670
Haslingden	943	Mansfield	1075
Bacup	1365	Newark	1130
Colne	753	Bingham	678
Clitheroe	553	Leicester	1070
Leigh	400	Melton-Mowbray	880
HALIFAX	2037	Oakham	296
Huddersfield, First	1424	Stamford	320
Huddersfield, Second	1403	Grantham	954
Holmfirth	909	Peterborough	724
Sowerby-Bridge	1207	Loughborough	950
Todmorden	1426	Castle-Donington	570
Denby-Dale	604	Derby	1628
Bradford, West	1790	Ashbourne	316
Bradford, East	2153	Belper	919
Great-Horton	1364	Ripley	1000
Keighley	1742	Ashby-de-la-Zouch	852
Bingley	1105	Burton	935
Shipley	432	Cromford	780
Skipton	532	LINCOLN	2436
Addingham	551	Sleaford	1240
Grassington	230	Market-Raisen	1232
Settle	311	Louth	2642
LEEDS, First	2020	Horncastle	1509
Leeds, Second	2021	Alford	1074
Leeds, Third	1569	Spilsby	856
Leeds, Fourth	1752	Boston	1190
Bramley	1752	Wainfleet	640
Wakefield	2165	Spalding	1163
Birstal	1688	Bourne	357
Dewsbury	1536	Coningsby	501
Knaresborough	909	HULL, West	1959
Otley	854	Hull, East	1790
Pateley-Bridge	972	Beverley	777
Pontefract	1577	Driffield	941
Cleckheaton	803	Howden	1067
Yeadon	812	Patrington	480
Woodhouse-Grove	530	Hornsea	500
SHEFFIELD, West	2760	Grimsby	1561
Sheffield, East	2550	Gainsborough	1130
Chesterfield	1188	Epworth	924
Bakewell	448	Snaith	1300
Bradwell	552	Brigg	953
Rotherham	2112	Barton	1145
Doncaster	1800	Bridlington	1500
Barnsley	912	YORK	3058
Retford	1261	Tadcaster	930
Worksop	572	Pocklington	872
NOTTINGHAM, South	1560	Malton	1401

<i>Circuits.</i>	<i>Members in Society.</i>	<i>Circuits.</i>	<i>Members in Society.</i>
Easingwold	1471	Berwick	83
Scarborough	1751	Morpeth	53
Pickering	1167	CARLISLE	340
Thirsk	1182	Brampton	190
Ripon	950	Whitehaven	358
Selby	1168	Workington	444
WHITBY	1037	Appleby	534
Stokesley	650	Penrith	748
Darlington	667	Wigton and Keswick	293
Stockton	950	Kendal	755
Barnard-Castle	639	Ulverstone	178
Bishop-Auckland	467	Dumfries	58
Middleham	649	DOUGLAS and Castletown	1577
Richmond	375	Ramsay and Peel	1897
Reeth	700	EDINBURGH	559
Bedale	920	Dunbar	62
NEWCASTLE-UPON-TYNE	1615	Glasgow	897
Gateshead	1095	Greenock	80
North-Shields	775	Airdrie and Stirling	512.
Blyth	413	Aberdeen	375
South-Shields	640	Ayr	126
Sunderland	1594	Dundee	103
Houghton-le-Spring	562	Perth	80
Durham	1047	Arbroath	90
Wolsingham	605	Banff	47
Hexham	608	Inverness	52
Shotley-Bridge	680	LERWICK	569
Alston	640	Walls	445
Allendale-Town	517	Northmavin, &c.	166
Alnwick	115	North Isles	156
Total Number of Members in GREAT BRITAIN this Year.		348,274	
Ditto last Year.		338,861	
Increase		9,413	

IN IRELAND.

<i>Circuits.</i>	<i>Members in Society.</i>	<i>Circuits.</i>	<i>Members in Society.</i>
DUBLIN, South	601	Bandon	386
Dublin, North	824	Skibbereen	272
Kingstown	56	Tralee	75
Drogheda	231	LIMERICK	240
Wicklow	320	Roscrea	172
WATERFORD	202	Cloughjordan	178
Carlow	257	TULLAMOORE	214
Newtownbarry	310	Athlone	113
Wexford	170	Maryborough	240
CORK	360	Longford	192
Cove	80	SLIGO	451

ASIA.

CEYLON.				Nos.
<i>The Singhalese, or South Ceylon District.</i>		Batticaloa, First— Batticaloa, Second		152
		CONTINENTAL INDIA.		
		<i>The Madras District.</i>		
First Colombo	Nos. 135	Madras		167
Second Colombo	186	Negapatam		16
Negombo	95	Manaargoody		34
Seedua	84	Bangalore (Tamul)		122
Galkisse	90	<i>The Mysore District.</i>		
Morotto	203	Bangalore (Canarese)		23
Pantura	63	Mysore		3
Caltura	88	Goobbee		7
Galle and Amblangodde, &c.	115	Toomkoor		1
Matura	65	Coonghul		4
Dondra and Goddapitiya	47	Total in India and Ceylon		1,873
<i>The Tamul, or North Ceylon District.</i>		Last year		1,734
Jaffna, Wannerponne, and Puttoor	136	Increase		139
Point-Pedro and Cattavelley	11			
Trincomalee	26			

AUSTRALASIAN AND POLYNESIAN MISSIONS.

<i>New South Wales.</i>		<i>New-Zealand.</i>	
Sydney, North	474	Auckland	214
Sydney, South	288	Pehiakura	114
Paramatta	145	Mangungu	297
Windsor	197	Waima	88
Bathurst	174	Newark	30
Camden	69	Wairoa (Kaipara)	101
Wollongong	73	Kawhia and Mokau	569
Goulburn	64	Aotea (Beecham-Dale)	266
Hunter's-River	342	New-Plymouth	196
Moreton-Bay	18	Waingaroa	202
Port-Macquarie	15	Waipa	230
<i>Australia Felix.</i>		Waimate and Patea	618
Melbourne	294	Port-Nicholson	550
Portland-Bay	34	Cloudy-Bay	150
Geelong	134	Nelson	192
Bunting-Dale	2	Waikowaiti	259
<i>South Australia.</i>		<i>Friendly Islands.</i>	
Adelaide	551	Tonga	1758
<i>Western Australia.</i>		Habai	2126
Swan-River	60	Vavau	2444
<i>Van-Diemen's Land.</i>		Niua-Tabutabu	290
Hobart-Town	183	Niua-fo-ou	478
New-Norfolk	41	Uvea	70
Ross and Campbell-Town	63		
Launceston	276		

<i>Feejee.</i>		<i>Nos.</i>	
	<i>Nos.</i>	Total in the South-Sea	<i>Nos.</i>
Lakemba	1160	Missions	16,469
Viwa	554	Last Year	15,933
Somosomo	16	Increase	536

AFRICA.

SOUTHERN AFRICA.

<i>The Cape District.</i>			
Cape-Town	219	Wittebergen	50
Rondebosch	43	Butterworth	96
Wynberg	87	Beecham-Wood	14
Stellenbosch	94	Clarkebury	61
Somerset (West)	157	Morley	115
Khamiesberg	120	Buntingville	47
Nisbett-Bath	559	Shawbury	27
Concordiaville	50	Palmerton	35
Elephant-Fountain	89	D'Urban (Port-Natal)	23
<i>The Albany and Kaffraria District.</i>		Pietermauritzberg	39
Graham's-Town	487	Kwangubeni	17
Salem and Farmerfield	306	Indaleni	90
Bathurst, &c.	99	<i>The Bechuana District.</i>	
Fort-Beaufort, &c.	101	Thaba-Unchu	174
Port-Elizabeth, &c.	52	Plaatberg—Mirametsu	233
Cradock	83	Lishuani	104
Somerset, &c.	45	Umpukani	39
D'Urban (Fort-Peddie)—		Imparani	40
Newton-Dale	101	Colesberg	42
Wesleyville, &c.—Mount-		Total in Southern Africa 4,135	
Coke, &c.	24	Last Year 3,957	
Haslope-Hills, &c.	69	Increase 178	
Glovukazi, &c.	104		

WESTERN AFRICA.

<i>The Sierra-Leone District.</i>			
Free-Town	3095	Anamabu	142
Hastings and Wellington	849	Domonasi, &c.	123
York	410	British Akrah, &c.	166
<i>The Gambia District.</i>		Ashanti	27
St. Mary's	133	Badagry and Abbeokuta	57
Barra-Point	9	Total in Western Africa 5,525	
Macarthy's Island	150	Last Year 4,883	
<i>The Gold-Coast and Ashanti District.</i>		Increase 642	
Cape-Coast Town, &c.	364		

AMERICA.

WEST INDIES.

The Antigua District.

	Nos.
Antigua	2616
Dominica	1082
Montserrat	427
Nevis	1896
St. Christopher's	3708
St. Eustatius	339
St. Bartholomew's	96
St. Martin's	420
Anguilla	391
Tortola	1845
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Total in the Antigua District	12,820
Last Year	13,419
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Decrease	599
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The St. Vincent's and Demerara District.

Kingstown	2900
Biabou	3113
Grenada	589
Trinidad	768
Tobago	1536
George-Town	1544
Mahaica	518
Arabian Coast	230
Victoria	669
Barbadoes	2134
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Total in the St. Vincent's and Demerara District	14,001
Last Year	13,852
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Increase	149
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The Jamaica District.

Kingston	4541
Montego-Bay	969
Spanish-Town	1044
Morant-Bay	1128

Nos.

Grateful-Hill and Stoney-Hill	640
Falmouth	744
St. Ann's Bay	633
Ocho-Rios	623
Beechamville and Watsonville	1494
Bath and Manchioneal	1948
Port-Antonio	307
Guy's-Hill	436
Clarendon	1033
Savannah-la-Mar	1226
Brown's-Town	575
Duncan's	759
Yallahs and Bethesda	644
Mount-Fletcher	519
Port-Morant	1423
Linstead	490
Belize and Charibb-Town (Honduras-Bay)	460
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Total in the Jamaica District (including the Honduras-Bay Mission)	21,636
Last Year	22,824
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Decrease	1,188
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The Bahama District.

New-Providence	763
Eleuthera, First	534
Eleuthera, Second	300
Harbour-Island	512
Abaco	252
Andros-Island	22
Turk's-Island	445
Bermuda (Hamilton)	269
Bermuda (St. George's)	194
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Total in the Bahama District	3,291
Last Year	3,313
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Decrease	22
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<i>The Hayti District.</i>			Nos.
Port-Republicain	145	Total in the Hayti District	338
Port-au-Plaat	128	Last Year	322
Jérémie	34		
Gonaïves and Cape-Haytien	31	Increase	16

THE BRITISH DOMINIONS IN NORTH AMERICA.

<i>Indian Stations in Western Canada.</i>			
Alderville	60	Sherbrooke	107
Rice and Mud Lakes . .	71		
Beausoliel-Island . . .	45	Total in the Eastern	
French-River	15	Canada District . .	3,782
Rama	67	Last Year	3,909
Owen's-Sound and Arthur's	71		
Schoogog	23	Decrease	127
Snake-Island	52		
Grand-River	143	<i>The Nova-Scotia District.</i>	
Muncey	198	Halifax	492
Sarnia and St. Clair . .	151	Lunenburg	236
New-Credit	92	Liverpool and Mill's-Village	320
Saugeeng	107	Barrington	503
		Yarmouth	164
Total on the Indian		Horton and Cornwallis . .	440
Stations	1,095	Windsor	95
Last year	1,095	Newport	371
		Shubenacadie	232
<i>Eastern Canada District.</i>		Amherst and Parrsborough	323
Montreal	788	Wallace	364
Quebec	373	Guysborough	199
Three-Rivers	41	Albion-Mines and River-John	80
Wesleyville	200	Sydney (Cape-Breton) . .	134
St. John's	68	Charlotte-Town (Prince	
Russeltown	309	Edward's Island) . .	412
St. Armand's	187	Bedeque (ditto)	270
Dunham	273		
Odell-Town	232	Total in the Nova-Scotia	
Shefford	239	District	4,635
Stanstead	145	Last Year	4,237
Compton	99		
Melbourne	262	Increase	398
New-Ireland	275		
Clarenceville	184	<i>The New-Brunswick District.</i>	
		St. John, South	645
		St. John, North	134

	Nos.		Nos.
St. John, West	250	Blackhead	334
Frederickton	257	Island-Cove	62
Nashwaak	200	Perlican	205
Sheffield	105	Hant's-Harbour	85
Mill-Town	94	Port-de-Grave	93
St. Stephen's	218	Trinity-Bay	71
St. Andrew's	97	Bonavista	186
Sackville	119	Burin	92
Point-de-Bute	174	Grand-Bank	66
Petitcodiac and Hopewell .	224	Brigus	183
Bridgetown	165	Green-Bay	181
Aylesford	204		
Annapolis	259	Total in the Newfoundland	
Digby and Sussex-Vale .	245	District	2,288
Miramichi	112	Last Year	2,336
Richibucto	96		
Woodstock and Andover .	144	Decrease	48
Bathurst	85		
Total in the New-Brunswick District . .	3,827	<i>The Hudson's-Bay District.</i>	
Last Year	3,749	Ross-Ville	119
		Moose-Factory and Abittibe .	83
Increase	78		
		Total in the Hudson's-Bay District . .	202
<i>The Newfoundland District.</i>		Last Year	174
St. John's	170		
Harbour-Grace	78	Increase	28
Carbonear	482		

Recapitulation of Members in the Foreign Missions.

In Germany, France, Switzerland, and Gibraltar	1,829
In Continental India and Ceylon	1,873
In Australia, Van-Diemen's Land, New-Zealand, Friendly Islands, and Feejee	16,469
In Africa (Southern, 4,135 ; Western, 5,525)	9,660
In the West Indies	52,086
In British North America	15,829
Total number of Members under the care of the Missionaries this year	97,746
Last year	97,451
Increase	295
On trial for Church-Membership, as far as ascertained . .	5,066

GENERAL RECAPITULATION.

					Nos.
Number of Members in Great Britain	-	-	-	-	348,274
Ditto in Ireland	-	-	-	-	22,221
Ditto in our Foreign Stations	-	-	-	-	97,746
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Total number of Members under the care of the British and Irish Conferences	-	-	-	-	468,241
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N.B. The number of regular Ministers, and Preachers on Trial, and those who are Supernumerary and Superannuated, is as follows; viz.,—

In Great Britain,

Ministers	-	-	-	-	918
Ditto Supernumerary and Superannuated	-	-	-	-	184
Preachers on Trial	-	-	-	-	105
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					1,207

In Ireland,

Ministers	-	-	-	-	84
Ditto Supernumerary and Superannuated	-	-	-	-	34
Preachers on Trial	-	-	-	-	20
Missionaries; viz.,—					
Ministers	-	-	-	-	21
Ditto Supernumerary	-	-	-	-	2
Preachers on Trial	-	-	-	-	2
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					25
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					163

In our Foreign Stations,

Ministers	-	-	-	-	324
Ditto Supernumerary and Superannuated	-	-	-	-	10
Preachers on Trial	-	-	-	-	66
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Total	-	-	-	-	-	<hr/>
						1,770

Number of Members under the care of the <i>Wesleyan Conference in Canada</i> in connexion with the British Conference	-	-	-	-	-	<hr/>
						24,268

Number of Ministers belonging to the <i>Wesleyan Conference in Canada</i> in connexion with the British Conference	-	-	-	-	-	115
Supernumerary and Superannuated	-	-	-	-	-	21
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Q. IX. Who is appointed the **PRESIDENT OF THE NEXT CONFERENCE IN IRELAND**, to be held in Dublin, on Wednesday, the 26th of June, 1850 ?

A. Our **PRESIDENT**, the **REV. THOMAS JACKSON**.

N. B. 1. The **EX-PRESIDENT**, the **REV. DR. NEWTON**, and the **Secretary**, the **REV. DR. HANNAH**, are appointed to accompany the President to the next Irish Conference.

2. The **EX-PRESIDENT** and the **REV. GEORGE OSBORN** are requested to visit Scotland in October, for the purpose of promoting the **Missionary cause**, and also of attending the **Financial District-Meeting**.

3. The **PRESIDENT** and the **REV. PETER M'OWAN** are requested to attend the **Annual Meeting** of the **North-Wales District Committee**, to be held at Cefnmawr, in the spring of 1850.

4. The **REV. WILLIAM NAYLOR** and the **REV. JOHN RIGG** are appointed to attend the **Annual Meeting** of the **South-Wales District Committee**, to be held at Llandilo, in the spring of 1850.

5. Two of the **English Ministers** stationed in **Wales** shall attend the **District-Meetings** of the **Welsh Ministers**; and two of the **Welsh Ministers** shall attend the **District-Meeting** of the **English Ministers** in **South-Wales**.

6. The **REV. MATTHEW RICHEY, D.D.**, is appointed the **President** of the next Conference in **Canada**; and the **REV. JOHN RYERSON**, **Co-Delegate**.

7. The **REV. JOHN STEPHENSON** is appointed to attend the **Annual Meeting** of the **Shetland Isles District**, to be held in the spring of 1850.

Q. X. Who are the **COMMITTEE FOR GUARDING OUR PRIVILEGES** during the ensuing year ?

A. The **PRESIDENT** and the **SECRETARY** of the **CONFERENCE**; all the **Ministers** appointed to the eight **London Circuits**; the **Superintendents** of the **Deptford**, **Hammersmith**, and **Woolwich Circuits**; and all those **Ministers** now living who have filled the office of **PRESIDENT** of the **CONFERENCE**;—with the **REV. THOMAS WAUGH**, the **REV. WILLIAM REILLY**, and the **REV. JOHN WILLIAMS**, the **Representatives** of the **Irish Conference**;—together with the following **Gentlemen**:—

George Bowes, Esq., *London*;
John J. Buttress, Esq., *ditto*;
Isaac Day, Esq., *ditto*;
John S. Elliott, Esq., *ditto*;
Thomas Farmer, Esq., *ditto*;
James Hoby, Esq., *ditto*;
William P. Judd, Esq., *ditto*;
Thomas Marriott, Esq., *ditto*;
Richard Matthews, Esq., *ditto*;
William F. Pocock, Esq., *ditto*;
Richard Marsden Reece, Esq., *ditto*;
Thomas Allen, Esq., *Macclesfield*;

William Allen, Esq., *Manchester*;
T. Percival Bunting, Esq., *ditto*;
John Burton, Esq., *Middleton*;
John Daniel Burton, Esq., *ditto*;
John Burton, Esq., *Roundhay, Leeds*;
Joseph Carne, Esq., *Penzance*;
Charles Cooper, Esq., *Manchester*;
Isaac Crowther, Esq., *Morley*;
William Dyson, Esq., *Howden*;
Robert Fawsitt, Esq., *Hunsley*;
George Heald, Esq., *Liverpool*;
James Heald, Esq., *M.P., Stockport*;

Mr. Francis Healey, *Birmingham* ;
 James Henwood, Esq., *Hull* ;
 Thomas B. Holy, Esq., *Sheffield* ;
 John Irving, Esq., *Bristol* ;
 James Meek, Esq., *York* ;
 Robert Middleton, Esq., *Cheltenham* ;
 Thomas Potter, Esq., *Manchester* ;
 Thomas Sands, Esq., *Liverpool* ;
 Humphry Sandwith, Esq., M.D., *Hull* ;
 William G. Scarth, Esq., *Cheltenham* ;

William Skinner, Esq., *Stockton* ;
 George Smith, Esq., *Camborne* ;
 Samuel H. Smith, Esq., *Sheffield* ;
 Samuel Stocks, Esq., *Wakefield* ;
 John F. Sutcliffe, Esq., *Willow-Hall* ;
 Thomas Walker, Esq., *Cheltenham* ;
 William Walker, Esq., *Bradford* ;
 Joshua P. Westhead, Esq., M.P.,
Leigh Castle ;
 Peter Wood, Esq., M.D., *Manchester*.

N.B. Resolved, 1. That the cordial thanks of the Conference are due and are hereby presented to the Committee for Guarding our Privileges for their efficient attention to the important business confided to their care ; and especially for their able attention to the Charitable Trusts' Bill, introduced into Parliament during the last Session.

2. That the cordial thanks of the Conference be presented to the Secretaries, the REV. CHARLES PREST, and the REV. THOMAS VASEY, for their diligent and able attention to the interests of the Connexion during the year ; and that they be re-appointed the Secretaries for the ensuing year. All communications to be addressed to the REV. T. VASEY, *Stamford-Hill, London*.

3. A Committee is hereby specially appointed for cases of exigency demanding immediate attention, or requiring prompt communication with the Government or with Parliament on subjects affecting our public interests, which shall consist of the President and the Secretary of the Conference, the Ex-President, the Secretaries of the Committee of Privileges, the General Secretaries of our Missions, the Chairman and the Secretaries of the Education Committee, the Revds. William Barton, George Cubitt, Peter Duncan, John Lomas, John Mason, George Osborn, and Thomas Waugh ;—Thomas Farmer, Esq., James Heald, Esq., M.P., James Hoby, Esq., Richard Matthews, Esq., Richard M. Reece, Esq., Greaves Walker, Esq., and Joshua P. Westhead, Esq., M.P. ; with power to add to their number.

MISSIONS.

Q. XI. What are the Resolutions of the Conference in reference to our MISSIONS ?

A. 1. The following persons are appointed the General Committee of Management for the ensuing year ; viz.,—the PRESIDENT and the SECRETARY of the CONFERENCE ; the GENERAL TREASURERS ; the Treasurer of the London District Auxiliary Society, John J. Buttress, Esq. ; Sixteen of the Ministers appointed to the London Circuits, viz.,—

The Rev. Dr. Alder,
 ——— Dr. Beaumont,
 ——— Dr. Beecham,
 ——— John Brown, 1st,

The Rev. Dr. Bunting,
 ——— Peter Duncan,
 ——— Joseph Fowler,
 ——— John Hall,

The Rev. Joseph Hargreaves,
 ———— Elijah Hoole,
 ———— Timothy C. Ingle,
 ———— Frederick J. Jobson,

The Rev. John Lomas,
 ———— John Mason,
 ———— John Rattenbury,
 ———— William L. Thornton ;—

The Sixteen following Gentlemen of *London*, viz.,—

Mr. John Corderoy,
 Mr. John Chubb,
 Grantham R. Dodd, Esq.,
 Walter Griffith, Esq.,
 P. Brames Hall, Esq.,
 James Heald, Esq., M.P.,
 James Hoby, Esq.,
 James Hunter, Esq.,

Mr. Peter Kruse,
 Mr. John Lidgett,
 Richard Matthews, Esq.,
 Mr. Robert Owen,
 W. F. Pocock, Esq.,
 Mr. F. Shaw,
 J. P. Westhead, Esq., M.P.,
 Mr. W. Williams ;—

And, for the Country,—

The Ex-PRESIDENT, the REV. DR. NEWTON ;

The Rev. Jonathan Crowther, *Didsbury* ;
 ———— James Dixon, D.D., *Birmingham* ;
 ———— Thomas Harris, *Sheffield* ;
 ———— William Naylor, *Manchester* ;
 ———— John Rigg, *Bath* ;
 ———— William Vevers, *Taunton* ;
 ———— Francis A. West, *Huddersfield* ;

William Jonathan Beet, Esq., *Sheffield* ;
 John Burton, Esq., *Leeds* ;
 Thomas Crook, Esq., *Liverpool* ;
 James Henwood, Esq., *Hull* ;
 John Irving, Esq., *Bristol* ;
 John R. Kay, Esq., *Summerseat, near Bury* ;
 George Smith, Esq., *Camborne* ;
 Peter Wood, Esq., M.D., *Manchester*.

WALTER GRIFFITH, JOHN M. CAMPLIN, A. H. LATTEY, JAMES HUNTER, and FREDERICK INGOLDBY, Esqs., of London, are requested to act as a Medical Sub-Committee.

The following Gentlemen are appointed a Sub-Committee, to meet prior to the next Conference, and to report on the affairs of the Polynesian Missionary Ship:—The General Treasurers and the General Secretaries of the Society ; Mr. Chodwick, London ; Thomas Crook, Esq., Liverpool ; John Irving, Esq., Bristol ; Mr. Lidgett, London ; Thomas Sands, Esq., Liverpool ; Thomas Speeding, Esq., Monkwearmouth ; Mr. Ward, London ; Mr. Weller, London ; and the Rev. William Horton ; with power to add to their number.

2. The Conference expresses its entire and most grateful satisfaction in the judicious, able, and truly conscientious manner in which the pecuniary affairs of the Society, as well as all its other affairs, have been and are still conducted ; and its firm and unqualified conviction that the insinuations which have been alleged to the contrary are founded on total misapprehension and mistake, if not on something which merits a much more severe appellation.

3. The thanks of the Conference are hereby presented to the General Committee, for their very faithful and able direction of the affairs of our Missions during the past year.

4. The cordial thanks of the Conference are hereby presented to THOMAS FARMER, Esq., and the REV. JOHN SCOTT, for their important services as General Treasurers of the Wesleyan Missionary Society during the past year; and they are respectfully requested to accept that office for the year ensuing.

5. The cordial thanks of the Conference are hereby presented to the REV. DR. BUNTING, the REV. DR. BEECHAM, the REV. DR. ALDER, and the REV. ELIJAH HOOLE, the General Secretaries, for their very acceptable and useful services to our Missions during the past year.

6. At the several Financial District-Meetings, which shall be held in September, arrangements shall be made for holding Missionary Meetings throughout the respective Districts, chiefly those to be held in the Circuit-Towns, during the ensuing year; so that such Meetings may be held at the least possible expense; and the District Treasurers and Secretaries shall be earnestly invited to attend the said District-Meetings, when such arrangements are under consideration. The plan for each District, thus provisionally arranged, shall be immediately transmitted by the Chairman to the several Ministers who form the Deputation for that District, as appointed in the List of Deputations hereafter subjoined. The said Ministers are required to correspond with the Chairman forthwith; in order that such *final* arrangements may be adopted, by mutual consent, as to the exact time of holding the Missionary Meetings for the Circuits of each District, as will prevent in future the great inconvenience which has resulted from the absence, on any Missionary Deputation, of more than one Minister from the same Circuit at the same time. It is required that a copy of each final arrangement, thus formed, shall be immediately forwarded to the General Secretaries in London. It is also recommended that one of the usual Quarterly Meetings of each District Auxiliary Committee be summoned during the sitting of the Annual District-Meeting, for the purpose of investigating the expenses incurred at Anniversaries, &c.

7. The Chairmen of Districts are requested, immediately after the District-Meeting in May, to send to the General Secretaries of the Missions a copy of that part of the District-Minutes which contains the names, qualifications, &c., of those Candidates who may offer themselves for Missionary work.

8. The following Ministers and other Friends are particularly invited to attend a Special Meeting of the General Missionary Committee, which will be held in London, at nine o'clock in the forenoon of Tuesday, July 30th, 1850, according to the Seventeenth Article of the "Laws and Regulations of the Wesleyan Missionary Society;" viz.,—the Revds. John Bowers, William Burt, Corbett Cooke, Henry Davies, John P. Haswell, Samuel Jackson, Peter M'Owan, Charles Prest, and Robert Young;—

with Samuel Bennett, Esq., Bickering's-Park, Bedford; Joshua Burton, Esq., Leeds; Joseph Carne, Esq., Penzance; John S. Elliott, Esq., London; Abiezer Harper, Esq., Bristol; Francis Heeley, Esq., Birmingham; Thomas B. Holy, Esq., Sheffield; Thomas Marriott, Esq., London; and William Shipperry, Esq., Worthing.

N.B. This Meeting is open to the Treasurers and the Secretaries of the different Auxiliary and Branch Societies of London, and its vicinity, and to such other leading country friends of the Wesleyan Missions as can conveniently attend; and their presence is hereby respectfully requested.

MISSIONARY DEPUTATIONS, 1849-50.

Districts.	
<i>Bedford and Northampton,</i>	{ Robert Jackson, William Fox, 1st, Stephen Kay, George Maunder.
<i>Kent,</i>	{ John Rigg, Matthew T. Male, Theophilus Woolmer.
<i>Norwich and Lynn,</i>	{ John Kirk, 1st, David Hay, Joseph Stinson, John Ryan, 1st.
<i>Oxford,</i>	William M. Bunting, William H. Rule.
<i>Portsmouth,</i>	Thomas Harris, John G. Wilson.
<i>Guernsey,</i>	Walter O. Croggon, Frederick J. Jobson.
<i>Devonport,</i>	Robert Newstead, John Martin.
<i>Cornwall, (West,)</i>	William Reilly, George Osborn.
<i>Cornwall, (East,)</i>	William Barton, George Scott, 1st.
<i>Exeter,</i>	William Moister, George Kevern.
<i>Bristol,</i>	John Lomas, John H. James.
<i>Bath,</i>	William Atherton, William L. Thornton.
<i>First South Wales,</i>	Charles Tucker, Thomas Llewellyn.
<i>Birmingham and Shrewsbury,</i>	{ Robert Young, Charles Prest, Henry H. Chettle, Dr. Kessen.
<i>Macclesfield,</i>	Samuel Young, John Bedford.
<i>Liverpool,</i>	John Scott, George B. Macdonald.
<i>Manchester (Easter) and Bolton (Autumn),</i>	{ Dr. Dixon, John Hartley, Thomas H. Squance, Henry Bleby.
<i>Halifax and Bradford,</i>	{ John P. Haswell, William Burt, Alfred Barrett, John Lambert.
<i>Leeds,</i>	Peter M'Owan, William Arthur.
<i>Sheffield,</i>	Dr. Beaumont, Charles Haydon.
<i>Nottingham and Derby,</i>	{ William Naylor, John M'Owan, George Roebuck, Philip Hardcastle.
<i>Lincoln, (South,)</i>	Henry Davies, Richard Felvus.
<i>Lincoln, (North,)</i>	Peter Duncan, Thomas Nightingale.
<i>Hull,</i>	{ The Ex-President, Dr. Newton, Thomas Vasey.
<i>York,</i>	Francis A. West, Samuel R. Hall.

Districts.		
<i>Whitby and</i>	}	Peter Samuel, William Davenport.
<i>Darlington,</i>		
<i>Newcastle-upon-</i>	}	George Steward, Robert Inglis, William J. Shrewsbury, Thornley Smith.
<i>Tyne,</i>		
<i>Carlisle,</i>		Alexander Bell, John Tindall.
<i>Ireland, (North,)</i>		Robert S. Hardy, William Allen, 1st.
<i>Ireland, (South,)</i>		John Rattenbury, John W. Thomas.
<i>Ireland, (West,)</i>		Jonathan Crowther.

SCHOOLS.

Q. XII. What are the Resolutions of the Conference respecting the affairs of our SCHOOLS?

A. 1. JOHN IRVING, Esq., and the REV. CHARLES PREST are re-appointed the General Treasurers, and the REV. PETER M'OWAN and the REV. HENRY BLEBY are appointed the General Secretaries, for the ensuing year.

2. The following persons are appointed as the General Committee for the ensuing year:—The President and the Secretary of the Conference, the Ex-President, the General Treasurers and Secretaries of the School-Fund, the Revds. Dr. Beaumont, Alexander Bell, John Bowers, William P. Burgess, Jonathan Crowther, Dr. Dixon, John Farrar, Joseph Fowler, Frederick J. Jobson, Isaac Keeling, John Mason, Barnard Slater, Thomas Stead, William Ververs, Samuel D. Waddy, and Robert Young;—with Thomas Farmer, Esq., of London; P. Brames Hall, Esq., of Richmond; J. Hoby, Esq., William Merry, Esq., John Corderoy, Esq., Mr. Peter Kruse, Mr. Lidgett, Richard Matthews, Esq., John J. Buttress, Esq., and John Vanner, Esq., of London; Thomas Crook, Esq., of Liverpool; Benjamin Agar, Esq., of York; James Heald, Esq., M.P., of Stockport; T. P. Bunting, Esq., Peter Wood, Esq., M.D., George R. Chappell, Esq., John Mayson, Esq., and R. Townend, Esq., of Manchester; J. Robinson Kay, Esq., and Richard Bealey, Esq., of Bury; Archibald Vickers, Esq., of Disley; William Beet, Esq., of Sheffield; and all the Members of the Local Committees who may attend the Conference.

3. The following are the Local Committees for the ensuing year:—

KINGSWOOD SCHOOL.—The Rev. John Rigg, *Chairman*; Rev. J. Cusworth, *Local Treasurer*; Rev. James Carr, *Secretary*; Revds. James Allen, 2d, James Bromley, John W. Button, Dr. Etheridge, William Hurt, Samuel Jones, A.M., George Kevern, Thomas S. Monkhouse, and Joseph Wood;—with J. Capel, Esq., Thomas Exley, Esq., A.M., J. Westcott, Esq., A. Harper, Esq., Thomas Harris, Esq., Henry Holland, Esq., John Irving, Esq., J. Ayre, Esq., and Francis Riggall, Esq., of Bristol; William B. Liddiard, Esq., and Messrs. Mowatt, Palmer, Phipps, Batchelor, and Taylor, of Bath; and — Budgett, jun., of Kingswood.

WOODHOUSE-GROVE SCHOOL.—The Rev. W. Atherton, *Chairman*; W. Lord, *Local Treasurer*; Francis A. West, *Secretary*; Revds. Henry H. Chettle, Benjamin Clough, John P. Haswell, Elijah Jackson, Robert Jackson, Joseph Lawton, George B. Macdonald, James Methley, Leonard Posnet, William Sleigh, Thomas H. Squance, George Steward, George Turner, 1st, and Edward Walker;—with John Burton, Esq., William Smith, Esq., George Smith, Esq., Christopher Dove, Esq., George Morley, Esq., and W. B. Holdsworth, Esq., of Leeds; Lodge Calvert, Esq., Mr. Thomas Haigh, John Cheeseborough, Esq., and W. Cheeseborough, Esq., of Bradford; William Pawson, Esq., of Farnley; Edward M. Wavill, Esq., of Halifax; John F. Sutcliffe, Esq., of Willow-Hall; Benjamin L. Shaw, Esq., and Thomas Mallinson, Esq., of Huddersfield; John Yewdall, Esq., of Rawdon; Samuel Stocks, Esq., of Wakefield; and Jonas Sugden, Esq., of Keighley.

4. The Private Subscriptions and Public Collections for the School-Fund are to be made in every Circuit in the month of November; and the Conference repeats and urges its recommendation to our lay-friends to render assistance to the Ministers in procuring the Private Subscriptions. The sums allowed to Ministers stationed in Circuits, for the education of their daughters, and of such of their sons as cannot obtain admission into the Schools, may be paid out of the amount raised in the Circuits where they are stationed, if sufficient for that purpose. In other cases, we repeat our Minute made in 1820: “The allowances for education do not become due until the next Conference, and are not to be paid in advance, except so far as the Collections and Subscriptions to the Fund in any Circuit will meet the claims of that Circuit. But when the Governors of the Schools have been fully enabled to provide for their current expenditure, if a surplus remain in the hands of the Treasurers, they may make such remittances, in advance, to Circuits in which the claims are large, and the contributions small, as may suit their convenience.”

5. The General Treasurers and Secretaries shall furnish every Superintendent with an accurate List of the names of the boys and girls to whom the Education allowance is granted.

6. The Chairmen of Districts are directed to send to the Governors, immediately after each Annual District-Meeting, a list of the names of the Boys recommended for admission into the Schools.

7. Every Superintendent is required to send to the General Treasurers a particular account of the sums contributed in his Circuit to this Fund, and of the claims made upon it; stating distinctly the names of the children for whose education the usual allowance has been paid, and the exact number of years during which the allowance has been received; and it is further expressly required that such accounts, with any balance then in hand due to

the Fund, shall be sent not later than the 15th of December. All Communications to be addressed to the REV. CHARLES PREST, 11, *Storey-Street, Hull*.

8. The accounts for the year will be closed on the 23d of June, and audited before they are presented to the General Committee of the next Conference; and in order to this, *every Superintendent is required, at the May District-Meeting, finally to correct his List of Contributions sent in December, and to pay at the same time all additional Subscriptions or Collections*; and the Financial Secretary shall send to the Treasurers such corrections, with an extract from the District-Minutes of every entry which relates to the School-Fund. This communication shall be made not later than the 31st of May.

9. At every District-Meeting, on the day on which the Circuit-Stewards are in attendance, during the transaction of the Financial business of the District, the Chairman is directed to inquire particularly into the amount of the Subscriptions and Collections raised for the School-Fund in each Circuit, and to compare them with the lists of the preceding year. Where any material deficiency, or want of due exertion, shall appear, the case shall be specially reported in the District-Minutes, and be brought by the Chairman before the ensuing Conference.

10. The thanks of the Conference are hereby presented to JOHN IRVING, Esq., and to the REV. CHARLES PREST, the General Treasurers, and to the REV. PETER M'OWAN, the General Secretary, for their efficient discharge of the duties of their offices in the past year.

11. The thanks of the Conference are presented to the Local Committees and Secretaries for their attention to the affairs of the Schools during the year.

12. The thanks of the Conference are presented to the REV. JOSEPH CUSWORTH and to the REV. WILLIAM LORD, the Governors of the Schools, and to MRS. CUSWORTH and MRS. LORD, for their kind and diligent attention to the comfort and welfare of the children placed under their care.

Q. XIII. What does the Conference resolve on the Report of the Committee appointed to effect the REMOVAL OF KINGSWOOD SCHOOL?

A. 1. The Conference expresses its approval of the steps already taken to effect this desirable object; and requests MR. CUSWORTH to continue and complete as soon as possible his applications to our friends for Subscriptions. The arrangements for the Public Collections are postponed till the next Conference.

2. That, in the opinion of the Conference, it is not desirable that the Committee should proceed with the erection of the Premises until the sum of £8,000 has been obtained, either in cash or in good promises.

3. That the following Ministers and Gentlemen be the Committee of Management for the erection of the New Kingswood School; namely, the President and the Secretary of the Conference, the Ex-President, the Revds. Dr. Beecham, Dr. Bunting, Joseph Cusworth, John Farrar, Frederick J. Jobson, John Lomas, John Mason, Charles Prest, Richard Reece, John Scott, Jacob Stanley, sen., and Samuel D. Waddy;—with William Betts, Esq., T. P. Bunting, Esq., Thomas Farmer, Esq., James Heald, Esq., M.P., J. R. Kay, Esq., George Smith, Esq., and the members of the Local Committee of Kingswood School.

4. JAMES HUNTER, Esq., and the REV. FREDERICK J. JOBSON, are appointed the Treasurers of the Fund to be raised for this purpose.

BOOK AFFAIRS.

Q. XIV. What are the Resolutions of the Conference in reference to the affairs of the Book-Room?

A. 1. The REV. ISRAEL HOLGATE is re-appointed the Secretary to the London Book-Committee for the ensuing year. Letters should be addressed to him, at *No. 24, City-Road, London.*

2. The REV. WILLIAM DAVENPORT is re-appointed the Secretary to the Methodist Tract-Committee. Communications intended for this department should be addressed to him, at *No. 14, City-Road, London.*

3. The General Book-Committee shall consist of the President and the Secretary, the Ex-President, and all the members of the London Book-Committee who may attend the Conference; with the Revds. William Barton, William P. Burgess, Corbett Cooke, Jonathan Crowther, Joseph Cusworth, Henry Davies, Dr. Dixon, John P. Haswell, Isaac Keeling, Peter M'Owan, George Marsden, William Naylor, George Osborn, John C. Pengelly, Charles Prest, John Rigg, Joseph Roberts, Barnard Slater, John Smith, 2d, William W. Stamp, Thomas Stead, John Stephenson, William Vevers, Samuel D. Waddy, Daniel Walton, and Francis A. West, and the Representatives of the Irish Conference.

4. The thanks of the Conference are presented to the REV. GEORGE CUBITT, the Editor, for the faithful and able manner in which he has performed the duties of his office during the year.

5. The thanks of the Conference are presented to the REV. THOMAS JACKSON, for the valuable assistance which he has rendered to the Editor during the last six months.

6. The thanks of the Conference are presented to the REV. WILLIAM ARTHUR, for the valuable aid he has rendered during a great part of the year in conducting our Periodicals.

7. The thanks of the Conference are presented to the REV. JOHN MASON, for his diligent and efficient management of the affairs of the Book-Room during the year.

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CHAPEL AFFAIRS.

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A. (I. *General Chapel-Fund*.)

1. The cordial thanks of the Conference are presented to THOMAS MARRIOTT, Esq., and the REV. ROBERT WOOD, the Treasurers of the General Chapel-Fund, and to the REV. FRANCIS A. WEST, the General Secretary, for their diligent and faithful services during the past year; and they are hereby re-appointed to the same offices for the ensuing year.

2. The Committee of Distribution of that Moiety of the UNITED GENERAL CHAPEL and EDUCATION FUND, which is to be devoted to Chapel-purposes, shall meet in London on the Friday previous to the next Conference; and shall consist of the President, the Secretary, and the Ex-President,—the Treasurers and the Secretary of the General Chapel-Fund, the Treasurer, the Secretaries, and the Committee of the Chapel-Relief Fund, the Chairman and the Secretary of the Chapel-Building Committee, the Revds. William Bacon, William Barton, John Bowers, Joseph Cusworth, Henry Davies, Peter Duncan, John Farrar, Joseph Fowler, Samuel Jackson, Isaac Keeling, William Lord, William Naylor, Charles Prest, John Rigg, and John Scott; and *fifteen* Lay-Trustees, to be chosen as follows by the June Quarterly Meetings; viz.,—one from each of the Eight London, Deptford, Rochester, Portsmouth, Bedford, Oxford, Norwich, and Manchester Fifth Circuits.

3. All Collections and Subscriptions for the United Chapel and Education Fund are to be remitted to the Treasurers of the General Chapel-Fund, (Mr. Marriott, and the Rev. R. Wood,) *at the latest, before the end of March, 1850*; and the Chairmen of Districts are hereby directed to make inquiry in their respective District-Meetings, whether this Rule has been observed, and to insert an answer to that inquiry in the District-Minutes.

4. The Conference directs that every application to the General Chapel-Fund Committee shall be accompanied by the new Chapel-Schedule, duly filled up, and signed by the Chairman of the District, in the District-Meeting: and it further directs that the said Schedules shall be forwarded to the General Treasurers of the Chapel-Fund, before July 1st; and that all cases in which this latter direction shall not have been complied with, shall be postponed for at least one year.

5. The General Chapel-Fund Committee shall annually revise the cases recorded in the Minute-Book of the Chapel-Building Committee, and call for proof of the fulfilment of the prescribed conditions.

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(II. *Chapel-Relief Fund* :)

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5. The Conference strongly disapproves of the conduct of certain Trustees of Chapels, in several parts of the Connexion, who have attempted, by advertisements, circulars, or otherwise, to take an undue advantage of the benevolent feelings of our friends, by making applications for pecuniary aid beyond the boundaries of their own Circuits, in an irregular and unauthorised way. And, as such practices tend to diminish the income of the

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General Chapel-Fund, and thereby to injure the just claims of those Trustees who act legally and conscientiously, the Conference earnestly advises our friends to refuse any aid to persons thus begging for the erection and enlargement of Chapels, or for the liquidation of Chapel-debts, without any regular Connexional and official authority. According to our standing rule, every Chapel for which contributions have been solicited thus irregularly, or in places beyond the boundaries of the Circuit to which such Chapel belongs, must be excluded from the benefit of relief from the Chapel-Fund.

6. The respectful thanks of the Conference are presented to THOMAS HAZLEHURST, Esq., and friends, of Runcorn, for having built two new Chapels in the Runcorn Circuit, and presented them to the Connexion free from debt.

7. The respectful thanks of the Conference are presented to MRS. WINTER, of Eastcott, in the Hammersmith Circuit, for having built a new Chapel at Eastcott, and presented it to the Connexion free from debt.

CHAPEL-BUILDING COMMITTEE.

Q. XVI. Who are the CHAPEL-BUILDING COMMITTEE (without whose previous consent, obtained in writing, no Chapel, whether large or small, is to be erected, purchased, or enlarged) for the ensuing year?

A. 1. The Revds. Alfred Barrett, Jonathan J. Bates, John Brandreth, Henry H. Chettle, Charles Haydon, Isaac Keeling, William Kelk, John M'Owan, Peter M'Owan, George Marsden, William Naylor, George Osborn, William T. Radcliffe, Samuel Simpson, William W. Stamp, Francis A. West, Robert Wood ;— with J. Blakeley, Esq., T. Percival Bunting, Esq., John Burton, Esq., John D. Burton, Esq., George R. Chappell, Esq., Charles Cooper, Esq., Thomas Crook, Esq., John Fernley, Esq., James Heald, Esq., M.P., Richard Johnson, Esq., J. Robinson Kay, Esq., John Lomas, Esq., John Makinson, Esq., George Marsden, Esq., James Marshall, Esq., John Mayson, Esq., Peter Wood, Esq., M.D.

2. The thanks of the Conference are hereby presented to the REV. GEORGE MARSDEN, the Chairman, and to the Members of the Committee, for their diligent attention to the business brought before them during the past year. The REV. GEORGE MARSDEN is re-appointed the Chairman of this Committee, and the REV. WILLIAM KELK is appointed the Secretary, for the ensuing year. All letters on the subject of Chapels to be built, should be addressed to the REV. WILLIAM KELK, *Great Bridgewater-Street, Manchester.*

3. The cordial thanks of the Conference are presented to the REV. FREDERICK J. JOBSON, for the zeal, judgment, and ability

with which he has discharged his duty, as Secretary to the Chapel-Building Committee, during the past year.

4. The Ministers, Trustees, and others whom it may concern, are reminded that, according to Rule, "No case shall be sanctioned by the Committee, unless it shall come before them as having received the previous approbation of the Quarterly Meeting of the Circuit, and shall be recommended either by the Financial District-Meeting in September, or by the Annual District-Meeting in May ; except that, if in any Circuit it be deemed probable that the erection, purchase, or enlargement, of a new Chapel will be requisite after the Conference, and before the month of April, the plans, specifications, and estimates of which are not ready to be submitted to the Financial District-Meeting in September, the Chairman of that Meeting shall by letter state to the Building-Committee the opinion of the Meeting as to the general expediency of such erection ; and in such cases the permission of the Chapel-Building Committee shall be a sufficient warrant for their procedure, that Committee paying special attention to the particular examination of such cases when the details shall come before them."

5. The Chapel-Building Committee are instructed, when their permission is given for the erection of any Chapel, to accompany it with an earnest request that the Trustees will subscribe annually, according to their means, from their Trust-Funds, in aid of the Chapel-Fund. (See also Q. xv., A.6, p.247, of these Minutes.)

6. A copy of the *conditions* on which the Chapel-Building Committee shall agree to sanction the erection, purchase, or enlargement of any chapel, shall be sent to the Trustees of the said Chapel for insertion in their Trust-Book ; and another to the Superintendent of the Circuit, which he is to see entered in the Circuit-Book.

7. In addition to the regulation which requires that "a copy of the conditions on which the Chapel-Building Committee may agree to sanction the erection, purchase, or enlargement of any Chapel" shall be sent to the Chairman of the District, the Conference directs that a Schedule be sent every year by the Secretary to the Superintendents of Circuits, containing the particulars of the cases in each Circuit, in which permission has been granted during the year to build, purchase, or enlarge Chapels ; and the Schedule shall be returned to the Secretary immediately after the District-Meeting, that he may be prepared to report to the General Chapel Committee, and to the Conference, how far the prescribed conditions have been observed or violated.

8. A Circular shall be sent by the Secretary of the Chapel-Building Committee to the Superintendents and Trustees, where the debts upon the Chapels reported to the Conference greatly exceed the amount allowed by the Building-Committee, requiring them to use every effort to reduce such debts, and to bring them,

as speedily as possible, within the limits first proposed; and the Chairmen of Districts are required, at the ensuing May District-Meetings, to institute a most rigorous investigation into the state of such Trusts, and specially to report thereon at the ensuing Conference.

9. On receiving the Report of the Chapel-Building Committee for the past year, the Conference records its deep sense of the diligence and fidelity with which that Committee, and especially its Secretary, have discharged their several duties; and is gratified to find that a considerable improvement has taken place in the practice of the Connexion generally, as to the erection of Chapels. But the Report exhibits many instances of gross disregard of our Rules and Regulations; in some cases, by the violation of the conditions on which the Building-Committee had sanctioned the erection of new Chapels; and in others, by the building or enlargement of Chapels without application having been made to the Committee. Much experience has fully convinced the Conference, that it is impossible to prevent embarrassments to Chapel-Trusts but by a strict adherence to these Rules; and it is ascertained that in consequence of those regulations having been disregarded, in some instances of recently-erected Chapels, the Trusts are already involved in pecuniary difficulties. The Conference therefore deems it necessary to enact, and resolves most strictly to enforce, the following Cautionary Laws which refer to the erection, purchase, and enlargement of Chapels; and directs the attention of the Superintendents of Circuits, and the Chairmen of Districts, especially, to the following rules:—

(1.) That any applications to the Building-Committee to erect, purchase, or enlarge a Chapel, shall be made by furnishing specific answers to the questions contained in the “Form of Application,” and, when desired, forwarding the plans, specifications, and estimates to the Committee; and that before the work shall be commenced, two-thirds of the amount proposed to be expended shall have been promised, and at least one-half of the proposed cost be lodged in some respectable Bank. And it is also further required, that at least *one-half of the names of the gentlemen who are to act as Trustees* (their consent being previously obtained) *shall be forwarded with every such application to the Committee.*

(2.) That it shall be required of Superintendents, that when it is deemed necessary to make any deviation whatever in the plans sanctioned by the Chapel-Building Committee, so as to increase the cost of building or enlargement, such proposed departure from the original terms shall be fully and distinctly stated in a renewed application, and receive the sanction of the Committee before the proposed change shall be commenced.

(3.) The Conference directs that when a Superintendent, on entering a Circuit, shall find the building of a Chapel commenced,

or proposed to be commenced, without the consent of the Chapel-Building Committee, he shall be required to notify the same to the Committee, and to give them all the information in his power, respecting the plan, cost, subscriptions, and general arrangements.

(4.) That no Superintendent shall allow or sanction the opening of a new Chapel in his Circuit, or re-opening of one that has been enlarged, until the Building-Committee have officially certified that the conditions on which such erection or enlargement was sanctioned have been fulfilled; or that they are satisfied that such arrangements have been entered into by the Trustees, as afford a reasonable probability of securing the Trust from pecuniary embarrassment.

(5.) The Chairmen of Districts are required to institute a full examination, in the May District-Meetings, into the state of every Chapel built during the year; to make an exact entry of the required particulars in a book provided for that purpose; and to send a copy of such particulars to the Secretary of the Building-Committee *on or before the 1st of June*, so that he may be able to present his report to the ensuing Conference.

(6.) The Chairman is also required to examine very minutely into all the cases specially remitted to him on account of the Trustees having failed, in former years, to observe the prescribed conditions; and to make a record of the particulars in the District "Record of Chapel Affairs."

10. The Conference directs, in the case of all Chapels to be erected in future, that previously to their being opened, they shall be regularly registered as Places of Public Worship; and that the Certificate of such legal registration be publicly read at the first Opening-service.

11. The Superintendents are required to examine, once a year, the Accounts of the Trustees of each Chapel within their respective Circuits; and the Chairmen of Districts shall institute particular inquiry, in the annual District-Meetings in May, as to the observance of this direction.

EMBARRASSMENT OF CHAPEL-TRUSTS.

Q. XVII. What does the Conference direct with regard to the EMBARRASSMENT OF CHAPEL-TRUSTS?

A. The Conference, being deeply convinced that the pecuniary embarrassment of many of our Chapel-Trusts is a serious hinderance to the prosperity of the work of God in our Connexion, urges upon the Trustees, especially in those Circuits where great embarrassments exist, the adoption of such plans of pecuniary relief as may best suit peculiar local circumstances.

ERECTION OF CHAPEL-ORGANS.

Q. XVIII. What does the Conference direct in reference to the introduction of ORGANS into our Chapels?

A. 1. It having been found, that some cases of grievous pecuniary embarrassment have arisen from, or have been aggravated by, the imprudent erection of Organs, the Conference directs that all applications shall be accompanied by the proper Form of Application, furnishing an account of the state of the Chapel-Trust, in order to its being ascertained how far it may be prudent to sanction the proposed erection of an Organ.

2. That, where it is practicable, the sanction of the District-Meeting for the erection of an Organ shall be obtained previously to the case being presented to the Chapel-Building Committee; but where this is not practicable, the permission of the above-mentioned Committee shall be sufficient, except in any case where the District-Meeting shall *forbid* the erection of an Organ.

3. The Secretary of the Chapel-Building Committee is directed to prepare, and forward to the Chairmen of Districts, a copy of the conditions on which the said Committee have agreed to sanction the erection of an Organ, in order that it may be ascertained, at the Meetings usually held in May, how far the conditions prescribed have been observed. The Secretary is directed to report the whole of these affairs to the Conference.

SALE OF CHAPELS.

Q. XIX. What does the Conference direct in reference to the SALE OF CHAPELS?

A. 1. The Conference directs that all applications for the consent of the Conference to the Sale of Chapels shall be first examined by the Chapel-Building Committee, and shall through that Committee be presented to the Conference.

2. In order to provide for a difficulty which experience has shown may be sometimes expected to occur, it is resolved that in case the sale of a Chapel should become indispensable in the interval between one Conference and another, the President for the time being shall be, and hereby is, authorised, on behalf of the Conference, to affix his signature to the document giving permission to sell; provided that each case be first certified to him, as approved, by the Chapel-Building Committee.

The following Schedules may be had of Mr. Mason:—

1. Application for Permission to ERECT a Chapel.
2. Ditto, to ENLARGE a Chapel.
3. Ditto, to SELL a Chapel.
4. Ditto to ERECT an Organ.
5. RETURN from Superintendents on Completing a Chapel.
6. Application for a FINAL or ANNUAL GRANT, for the RELIEF of a Chapel.

CHILDREN'S FUND.

Q. XX. What are the Resolutions of the Conference respecting the CHILDREN'S FUND?

A. 1. The thanks of the Conference are hereby presented to

the District-Treasurers of the Children's Fund throughout the kingdom, for their kind services during the year; and also to WILLIAM G. SCARTH, Esq., the General Treasurer, and to the REV. SAMUEL D. WADDY, the General Secretary, of the Fund.

2. JOHN LOFTHOUSE, Esq., and the REV. SAMUEL D. WADDY, are appointed the General Treasurers, and the REV. GEORGE B. MACDONALD is appointed the General Secretary, for the ensuing year.

3. All letters on business relating to this Fund should be addressed to the REV. SAMUEL D. WADDY, *Wesley College, Sheffield*.

4. In conformity with the Standing Rule, which makes provision towards the support of the Children of our Ministers, from a certain rate of contribution in proportion to the exact numbers in Society, it is agreed that, for the *ensuing year*, *One Hundred and Twenty-Six* members shall provide the allowance for *one* child. On this principle the following statement has been drawn up, which determines the number of Children's Allowances for which each District is to provide in the year 1849-50, and which must be divided by the September District-Meeting, according to rule, among the several Circuits included in it:—

Districts. .	No. of Members.	No. of Children.
1 London	25,617	203
2 Bedford and Northampton	10,792	86
3 Kent	7,485	59
4 Norwich and Lynn	11,277	90
5 Oxford	6,810	54
6 Portsmouth	5,154	41
7 Guernsey	3,225	26
8 Devonport	7,464	59
9 Cornwall	18,557	147
10 Exeter	5,764	46
11 Bristol	12,388	98
12 Bath	9,100	72
13 First South Wales	3,062	24
14 Second South Wales	4,171	33
15 North Wales	6,825	54
16 Birmingham and Shrewsbury	18,442	146
17 Macclesfield	9,474	75
18 Liverpool	11,876	94
19 Manchester and Bolton	22,674	180
20 Halifax and Bradford	19,220	153
21 Leeds	20,960	166
22 Sheffield	14,155	112
23 Nottingham and Derby	19,178	152
24 Lincoln	14,840	118

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25	Hull	16,027	127
26	York	13,950	111
27	Whitby and Darlington	7,054	56
28	Newcastle	11,042	88
29	Carlisle	3,898	31
30	Isle of Man	3,474	28
31	Edinburgh and Aberdeen	2,983	24
32	Shetland Isles... ..	1,336	11

CONTINGENT FUND.

Q. XXI. Who are appointed to act for the ensuing year as the General Treasurers, Secretaries, and Committee, of the CONTINGENT FUND?

A. 1. ARCHIBALD VICKERS, Esq., of Disley, near Manchester, and the REV. JOSEPH CUSWORTH, of Kingswood, near Bristol, are re-appointed the *Treasurers*; and the REV. JOHN STEPHENSON, and the REV. THOMAS DICKIN, are re-appointed the *Secretaries*. The Committee are, the President and the Secretary of the Conference, the Ex-President; John Lofthouse, Esq., the Rev. Samuel D. Waddy, and the Rev. G. B. Macdonald, as Treasurers and Secretary of the Children's Fund; the Revds. William Atherton, Dr. Bunting, Jonathan Crowther, Henry Davies, Thomas Eastwood, Joseph Fowler, John P. Haswell, William Lord, John Mason, William Naylor, Charles Prest, John Rigg, John Scott, William Ververs, and Francis A. West;—with three Gentlemen, members of our Society, to be chosen by the Circuit-Stewards at the next May Meeting of the London District, and one from each of the following Districts, viz., Kent, Bedford and Northampton, Norwich, Birmingham and Shrewsbury, Bristol, Bath, Nottingham and Derby, Cornwall, Exeter, Portsmouth, Oxford, and Devonport.

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N.B. The Committee of Distribution, appointed to determine the *maximum* of Allowances to be made for Ordinaries to the several Districts, out of the Contingent Fund for 1850, after examining the probable income of that year, on the one hand, and the probable *comparative* necessities on the other hand, (taking into the account the increase or decrease of expense in the several Circuits of each District,) came to the following conclusions, which are now printed in conformity with the order of the Conference, for the information and direction of the Circuits, and of the September District-Meetings; viz.,—

	£	s.	d.
<i>Yearly Collection of 1850</i>	6,752	0	0
<i>July or Home-Mission Collection of 1850</i>	3,933	0	0
	10,685	0	0
Reserved for the payment of Extraordinaries in 1850	1,139	0	0
There remains as a maximum to be now pro- visionally granted for Ordinaries	9,546		0
	Grants for Ordinaries.		
	£.	s.	d.
1 London.....	680	0	0
2 Bedford and Northampton	280	0	0
3 Kent	301	0	0
4 Norwich and Lynn	307	0	0
5 Oxford	368	0	0
6 Portsmouth.....	295	0	0
7 Guernsey	72	0	0
8 Devonport	297	0	0
9 Cornwall	201	0	0
10 Exeter	455	0	0
11 Bristol	512	0	0
12 Bath	226	0	0
13 First South Wales.....	159	0	0
14 Second South Wales	422	0	0
15 North Wales	437	0	0
16 Birmingham and Shrewsbury.....	561	0	0
17 Macclesfield	213	0	0
18 Liverpool.....	440	0	0
19 Manchester and Bolton	251	0	0
20 Halifax and Bradford	270	0	0
21 Leeds	71	0	0
22 Sheffield	18	0	0
23 Nottingham and Derby	184	0	0
24 Lincoln	142	0	0
25 Hull	94	0	0
26 York	16	0	0
27 Whitby and Darlington	259	0	0
28 Newcastle	116	0	0
29 Carlisle	324	0	0
30 Isle of Man			
31 Edinburgh and Aberdeen	565	0	0
32 Shetland	360	0	0
Ireland	650	0	0
	£9,546	0	0

Q. XXII. What are the Standing Regulations which have been found necessary, respecting the just and fair Distribution among the Circuits of our Unmarried Ministers, with a view to the pecuniary relief of the Circuits so favoured ; and also respecting Grants in aid of expenses incurred by the temporary Supply for Afflicted or Deceased Ministers, and Grants towards the furnishing of Additional Houses for Ministers ?

A. The Resolutions on these several subjects, which, on the recommendation of the Special Committee of Finance who met in February, 1846, were adopted by the Conference, are continued and confirmed. They are as follows ; viz.,—

I. That in future the unmarried Preachers, especially those yet on probation, shall be in general appointed to such Circuits only, as, from their recent formation, the present smallness of the numbers in Society, or other very unusual and extraordinary circumstances, have the best claim on the kindness of the Connexion for the pecuniary relief which is always implied in the appointment to any Circuit of a single, rather than of a married, Minister.

II. That in order to distribute fairly and righteously the pecuniary relief connected with the appointment of single Preachers, and yet at the same time to meet the just and indispensable claims of junior married Ministers as they ought to be met, the following plan and scale be recommended, as that on which the Stationing Committee and Conference shall act for the present, and until the number of houses for the regular accommodation of married Ministers shall become more adequate to the wants of the Connexion.

1. No Circuit having *twelve hundred* members or upwards shall have an unmarried Minister appointed in it at all ; but when an additional Minister is requested, if the Conference grant the request, a married Minister shall be appointed ; and the Circuit shall make suitable and satisfactory provision for him by furnishing a house ; or, if the Conference so agree, *in any special case*, the Circuit shall supply such a pecuniary equivalent for a house to the Minister so appointed as shall be satisfactory to the Conference ; but after the expiration of one or two years, a suitable house must be provided by the Circuit, for the future residence of the additional Minister.

2. In the case of other Circuits, to which some relief in the matter of immediate appointment of married Ministers may be found necessary, the scale at present shall be as subjoined ; viz.,—

(1.) Circuits having *one thousand* members and upwards, but less than *twelve hundred*, if they request it, and it be found necessary and expedient that they should have a *third* Minister, in addition to two previously appointed, may have a *junior* married Minister as that third Minister, on condition of their providing for him, at their own sole expense, either a small house or suitable lodgings.

(2.) In similar circumstances, Circuits having *eight hundred* Members and upwards, but less than *one thousand*, may, if they request an additional Preacher, and it be found necessary and expedient, have a junior married Minister, without *immediately* providing house or lodgings, on condition of their paying to such Minister for the year, in lieu of house-rent and all other allowances to married Ministers, the sum of £40, in addition to their ordinary allowances to a single Preacher.

(3.) Circuits having *six hundred* Members and upwards, but less than *eight hundred*, £35, on the same principles and conditions, excepting as to the reduction of the sum from £40 to £35.

(4.) Circuits having *four hundred* Members and upwards, but less than *six hundred*, £24, on the same principles and conditions, except as to the reduction of the sum from £35 to £24.

(5.) Circuits having less than *four hundred* Members may, if the District-Meeting and Conference deem it to be required by a due regard to the maintenance or extension of the work of God among us, and if the circumstances of the Fund will allow such indulgence, have a single Preacher appointed for such a time as may be found necessary and practicable; and, if unable to meet the whole expense, may have assistance from the Contingent Fund. But all *such* assistance shall be given in conformity to our established rules, by a Grant, or an increase of Grant, as the case may be, towards its ordinary deficiencies.

3. In all cases, every allowance from the Contingent Fund for Ordinaries, of whatever kind, or of whatever form, shall be duly entered in the Annual Account in one sum and one column, as a Grant in aid to the Circuit in connexion with whose name it is so entered.

III. That Circuits which have given pledges to receive married Ministers at the expiration of specified terms of years, and have considered the reception of these pledges as implying a well-founded expectation that the Conference will not require them to provide for married Ministers and their families at earlier periods, shall not be imperatively called upon to receive and provide for them at earlier periods than those contemplated in the arrangements, so that such arrangements shall not be superseded, unless such Circuits, taking into consideration the serious embarrassments of the Contingent Fund, can be induced sooner to acquiesce in the preceding plans.

IV. That as it may not be practicable for some Circuits immediately to comply with the proposed arrangements as to the entire support of junior married Ministers, the Committee of Distribution of the Contingent Fund shall be authorised to consider the peculiar necessities of such Circuits, and to assist them, either wholly or in part, to bear the increased expenditure to which they may be subjected, by affording from that Fund such a Grant towards their

ordinary deficiencies as may be necessary for the purpose, so far as the state of the Fund will admit.

V. That as a very large and increasing charge upon the Contingent Fund arises from the claims annually made by some Circuits for expenses incurred in the supply of the places of afflicted and deceased Ministers, by Preachers sent in the course of the year by the President, the Conference directs the Committee of the Contingent Fund to watch applications for assistance from the Fund on such grounds with more than ordinary vigilance; and that, even in cases in which that Committee may deem it necessary to afford some relief, the amount granted shall not include the expense incurred by the board of the Preachers sent as supplies; and the Conference also directs that the name of the Circuit so relieved shall be printed in the accounts of the Contingent Fund, under the head of "Miscellaneous Expenses."

VI. The Conference resolves that, in future, the Committee of Distribution of the Contingent Fund may be authorised to make Grants towards the expenses incurred in furnishing additional houses for the residence of our Ministers, when such Grants shall be applied for by the Quarterly Meetings of Circuits needing such assistance, in the following proportions; viz.,—to Circuits having *eight hundred* Members but less than *one thousand*, £10 may be allowed towards the furnishing of an additional house; to Circuits having *six hundred* Members, but less than *eight hundred*, the sum of £20; to Circuits having *four hundred* Members, but less than *six hundred*, the sum of £30; and to Circuits having less than *four hundred* Members, the sum of £40. In all cases the applications of Circuits for Grants in aid of Furniture for additional houses shall be submitted to the Annual District-Meetings held in May, who are to judge of the real necessities of the cases to be brought under their consideration; and the Committee of Distribution shall not make any Grant in aid of Furniture without the previous recommendation of the District-Committee.

CIRCUIT-HOUSES.—Resolved, That the September and Annual District-Meeting be directed, when the Stewards are present, to make special inquiry respecting those Circuits which ought to provide additional houses for married Ministers.

WORN-OUT MINISTERS' AND MINISTERS' WIDOWS' AUXILIARY FUND.

Q. XXIII. Who are the Committee of the WORN-OUT MINISTERS' AND MINISTERS' WIDOWS' AUXILIARY FUND,—appointed to superintend the general state and working of that Fund; and also to consider and decide upon such peculiar cases of Supernumerary and Superannuated Ministers, and of Widows of Deceased Ministers, as may be specially recommended by the

District-Meetings in the ensuing year, for some *occasional* relief from that Fund?

A. The PRESIDENT and the SECRETARY of the Conference ; the

Rev. William Atherton,
 — Dr. Bunting,
 — Joseph Fowler,
 — Thomas Harris,
 — John P. Haswell,
 — Samuel Jackson,
 — John Mason,
 — William Naylor,
 — Dr. Newton,
 — John Rigg,
 — William Vevers ;

S. Bennett, Esq., Bickering's-Park ;
 John Burton, Esq., Leeds ;
 John Burton, Esq., Manchester ;
 Thomas Crook, Esq., Liverpool ;
 Christopher Dove, Esq., Leeds ;
 Thomas Farmer, Esq., London ;
 James Heald, Esq., M.P., Stockport ;
 John Mayson, Esq., Manchester ;
 Francis Riggall, Esq., Bristol ;
 George Smith, Esq., Camborne ;
 Abraham Vickers, Esq., New-Mills.

N.B. Should any of the persons belonging to this Committee be unable to attend its Meeting on the Saturday previous to the assembling of the next Conference, early notice should be sent to the PRESIDENT, who has authority to appoint substitutes.

Q. XXIV. Who are appointed the TREASURERS and the SECRETARY of the Auxiliary Fund for the ensuing year ?

A. 1. GEORGE R. CHAPPELL, Esq., of Manchester, and the REV. JOHN SCOTT, of London, are requested to accept the office of Treasurers ; and the REV. THOMAS EASTWOOD, that of Secretary ; and they are *ex-officio* members of the Committee.

2. The Conference cannot omit this opportunity of recording its affectionate regard for the memory of the late Treasurer of this Fund, JAMES WOOD, Esq. Attached as he was to all the institutions of the Connexion, he rendered especial service to this Fund, of which he was one of the Treasurers from the period of its first formation as it now exists. His judicious counsels, his affectionate sympathy in all cases of privation and distress, his faithful and unwearied attention to the interests of the Fund, were sincerely valued while he lived ; and they are still gratefully remembered with sentiments of devout thanksgiving to Him from whom all blessings come, and by whose grace alone His servants, in the several spheres of useful labour which He is pleased to assign to them, are enabled successfully to serve Him.

3. The cordial thanks of the Conference are presented to the REV. JOHN SCOTT, one of the General Treasurers, and to the REV. THOMAS EASTWOOD, the Secretary, for their valuable services during the past year ; and also to the DISTRICT-TREASURERS and CIRCUIT-TREASURERS, to whose kind and faithful attention the success of the Fund is so largely indebted.

Q. XXV. What are the regulations to be observed in collecting that part of the income of the Auxiliary Fund which is raised by DONATIONS IN THE CLASSES ?

A. 1. Each Circuit is to be responsible to the General Treasurers for a yearly sum equal at the least, on a general

average of all the Societies included within that Circuit, to Sixpence per Member, taking the numbers for the Circuit, in all cases, as returned to the preceding Conference, and published in its Minutes.

2. The Conference directs, that at the renewal of the Society Tickets during the September Visitation, every Minister shall fully explain to the Members of each Class the nature and reasonableness of those claims upon their justice and liberality, which were intended to be met by the establishment of this Fund. He shall also give to each member a short printed Address, explanatory of the same particulars. He shall then enter in the Class-Book the individual subscriptions, as in the case of the Yearly Collection at the March Visitation. At the *first* or *second* Class-Meetings in the month of October, the Leaders shall collect the Subscriptions thus promised, and shall pay the same to the Circuit-Treasurer, as hereinafter appointed.

3. In order to prevent a deficiency in the sum which an average of Sixpence per Member throughout England, Scotland, and Wales would raise, the Conference directs that the Ministers of every Circuit be enjoined, with the assistance of our lay-friends, to do their utmost to raise its full proportion in October next, by the Subscriptions in the Classes; and that, in any Circuit which shall then prove deficient, Public Collections shall be made to meet such deficiency, if not otherwise provided for.

4. In every Circuit, at the September Quarterly Meeting, a Circuit-Treasurer for the Worn-out Ministers' and Widows' Fund shall be appointed, whose office it shall be,

(1.) To meet the Class-Leaders, not later than the last week in October, in order to examine the books in which the contributions of the Members shall have been entered; and to receive the sums which shall have been paid, in the early part of that month.

(2.) To see, or send to, for the same purpose, those Leaders who cannot attend the Meeting.

(3.) To confer with the Ministers and leading Friends of the Circuit, if it should happen in any case that the amount received in the Classes falls below the proportionate sum chargeable on the Circuit, on the best method of making up the deficiency.

(4.) To remit the Circuit contribution to the District-Treasurer for the Auxiliary Fund, as is the case in respect to the Children's Fund;—this remittance to be made in the month of November, *at the latest*.

5. At each Financial District-Meeting, held in September, a District-Treasurer shall be chosen, to whom all sums raised in the Circuits of his District shall be paid, and he shall transmit such sums to the General Treasurers not later than the 13th of December. These remittances are to be addressed to the Rev. JOHN SCOTT, *St. George's Terrace, Islington, London*.

6. At the Annual District-Meetings held in May, when the Circuit-Stewards are in attendance, the District-Treasurers shall report the sums which they have received from the several Circuits;—when, if any Circuit has not raised its quota, the Ministers and Stewards of that Circuit shall be urged to make up the deficiency; and arrangements shall be made for the continued prosecution in the several Circuits of this truly Christian measure, which the Connexion, in the Centenary year, so unanimously recommended to the adoption of the Conference.

Q. XXVI. Have the DONATIONS IN THE CLASSES during the last year amounted, on the average, to Sixpence per Member?

A. The Conference is gratified to learn from the Treasurer's Report, that the Societies in general contribute to this Fund with great cheerfulness; and that while there is an improvement in the general averages of the Circuits which have come up to, or exceeded, the required standard, the aggregate amount of the deficiencies of those Circuits which are still below that standard continues to diminish. The Conference, therefore, again tenders its grateful acknowledgments to the Societies at large, for the general readiness which they have shown to meet the very easy and equitable claim which this department of our Connexional economy annually makes upon them. It relies, at the same time, upon their continued and considerate attention to this matter for such farther efforts in regard thereto, as may ultimately secure to the full extent the important object which the arrangement in question contemplates.

Q. XXVII. What are the Resolutions of the Conference on the subject of the continued ANNUAL DEFICIENCY OF INCOME?

A. 1. That the sums now annually paid to Supernumerary Ministers and Widows were so considerately arranged, so generally and publicly discussed and approved by the entire Connexion, during the Centenary year, that the faith of the Connexion must be regarded as being pledged to their continuance.

2. That the Conference, under these circumstances, observes with regret that the amount of the June Subscriptions in support of this Fund has since that period very seriously declined, so that the Fund is insufficient, with its present income, to meet the claims on which the estimates for its distribution were then settled; and, unless very prompt and effectual measures be adopted to secure a considerable accession to this source of income, the most afflictive consequences to the claimants may be reasonably apprehended.

3. For the purpose of obviating these consequences, and in the hope that this Fund may be placed in such a position as will ensure its continued operation on the basis solemnly agreed upon, the Conference most affectionately, and yet most urgently, commends the present exigencies of the Fund to the kind and serious consideration of the members and friends of our Connexion at

large, and also to the entire body of Ministers. And, with a view to such an increase of the income from this source, as may preclude the otherwise unavoidable reduction of the present very moderate scale of allowances, the Conference directs the Treasurers to address, at the proper time, to the Chairmen of Districts, and the Superintendents of Circuits, a *special* Circular, containing a full statement of the facts of the case, together with a direction, under the sanction of the Conference, that special efforts be made, *by a general application in every Circuit*, to obtain such an increase of the June Subscriptions as may adequately meet the reason and justice of the case, and fully satisfy the obligations under which the Connexion is laid, and to which it stands virtually pledged by solemn agreement, as to the claims of those who, for the sake of the Connexion, have foregone the means which they might otherwise have had of making provision for themselves, and for the families which they may leave behind.

N.B. 1. The Chairmen of Districts are required to send to the Secretary such parts of the Minutes of the District-Meetings as relate to this Fund, *immediately after the May Meeting of their Districts*; in order that he may have sufficient time to arrange the cases specially recommended to the consideration of the Committee, and to prepare the Annual General Statement.

2. To enable the Committee, at their Meeting previously to the next Conference, at once to ascertain the state of the Fund, every Superintendent shall transmit to the Secretary an account of the sum subscribed in his Circuit in the month of June, with a List of the Subscribers,—these Lists to be sent, at the *latest*, by the *30th of June*. The Secretary's Address is, REV. THOMAS EASTWOOD, *Tadcaster*.

3. The cordial thanks of the Conference are specially presented to the following friends, for their generous contributions to the Auxiliary Fund; *viz.*,—

ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTIONS.

	£.	s.	d.
Francis Riggall, Esq., Bristol	20	0	0
Isaac Crowther, Esq., Morley	10	10	0
J. F. Sutcliffe, Esq., Sowerby-Bridge	5	5	0
Mrs. Sutcliffe, ditto	5	5	0
Miss Rothwell, Bolton	5	5	0
Mrs. Parker, Warwick-Hall.....	5	0	0
William Betts, Esq., Southampton	5	0	0
John Wright, Esq., Birmingham.....	5	0	0
William Atherton, Esq., Temple, London	5	5	0
Mr. George Mason, Great-Horton	5	0	0

DONATIONS.

Mrs. Moulton, Lincoln	5	0	0
Miss Phebe Powell, Harrow, per Rev. J. Geden	5	0	0
Mrs. Scott, Bath	30	0	0

	£.	s.	d.
H. Goring, Esq., Oxford	5	0	0
A Friend, by A. B., per Rev. Elijah Hoole	10	0	0
George Bowes, Esq., Hackney.....	10	0	0
Mr. Bottom, Nottingham	10	0	0
For the late Thomas Bush, Esq., Lambourne, by William Shippery, Esq., Worthing	30	0	0
J. F. Bennett, Esq., Lambeth	10	10	0
A Friend in the Wednesbury Circuit, per Rev. James Shoar.....	5	0	0
A Second, ditto.....	5	0	0

The thanks of the Conference are also presented to the Executors who have paid the following Legacies:—

	£.	s.	d.
Late Mrs. Dorothy Bostock, of Uttoxeter, less by Duty and Expenses	89	6	8
Late Mrs. Sarah Hill, of Liverpool.....	21	0	0
Late Mr. George Ross, Derby, less by deductions by the Executors	141	13	10
Late Richard Guy, Esq., Plungar	200	0	0
Late Mr. John Cleasby, Kirkby-Stephen, less by Duty and Expenses	39	17	11
Late Mr. William Ashburner, Ulverstone	45	0	0

N.B. The cordial thanks of the Conference are presented to the following Friends of the METHODIST MINISTERS' ANNUITANT SOCIETY, (instituted for the benefit of our Worn-out Ministers, and of Widows of Ministers,) for their benevolent and very seasonable Donations to that institution:—

	£.	s.	d.
The Rev. John Kemp	20	0	0
The Rev. Thomas Garbutt	10	0	0

The thanks of the Conference are also presented to the Executors who have paid the following Legacies:—

	£.	s.	d.
Late Mr. Gould	19	19	0
Late Mr. Coverdale	10	0	0
Late Mr. Woodall	10	3	0
Late Mr. Williams.....	136	11	0
Late John Howard, Esq.	100	0	0
Late Mrs. Gooda	5	0	0

. In order to show to our benevolent Friends the pressing necessities of the Methodist Ministers' Annuitant Society, it is deemed right to state, that the Members have been under the necessity of reducing the amount of Annuities in the first or lowest class, from £19. 19s. to £10. each, and in the other classes in a just proportion, at the same time of raising the annual Subscription to £6. 6s., a sum inconveniently large for many of our Ministers to pay.

Resolved,—That, regarding it as the duty, if possible, of every man, and therefore of every Christian Minister, to make some provision, in the time of health and strength, for the infirmities of

age, and, when he may himself be removed hence, for the support of those who are now dependent upon him, the Conference deems it expedient not only to recommend, but to require, that every Minister admitted into full ministerial connexion with us, shall avail himself of the privilege which has long existed in our body, and become a member of the Methodist Preachers' Annuitant Society.

WESLEYAN THEOLOGICAL INSTITUTION.

Q. XXVIII. What are the Resolutions of the Conference with regard to the **WESLEYAN THEOLOGICAL INSTITUTION**?

A. 1. The Conference gratefully acknowledges the satisfactory evidence which is afforded of God's continued blessing on the Officers of the Institution, and on the Students under their charge; and, with thanksgiving to God, accepts such evidence as a Divine stimulus and call to its continued and still more liberal support.

2. The Conference greatly rejoices in the advantage which the Institution continues to derive from the valued superintendence and counsels of its honoured President, the **REV. DR. BUNTING**; and respectfully tenders to him its most cordial acknowledgments for the important aid which he has rendered, during the year, in furtherance of the object for which the Institution has been established.

3. The cordial thanks of the Conference are presented to the **REV. THOMAS JACKSON** and the **REV. DR. HANNAH**, the Theological Tutors,—to the **REV. SAMUEL JACKSON** and the **REV. JOHN BOWERS**, the House-Governors,—and to the **REV. JOHN FARRAR** and the **REV. WILLIAM L. THORNTON, M.A.**, the Classical Tutors, for the diligence and ability with which they have discharged the duties of their respective offices during the past year.

4. The cordial thanks of the Conference are presented to the **REV. JOHN FARRAR**, one of the General Treasurers,—to **THOMAS FARMER, Esq.**, and **P. BRAMES HALL, Esq.**, the Local Treasurers of the Southern Branch,—and to **JOHN BURTON, Esq.**, and **JOHN D. BURTON, Esq.**, the Local Treasurers of the Northern Branch,—for their kind and faithful services during the past year; and they are respectfully requested to continue their services during the next year. **JAMES HEALD, Esq., M.P.**, is respectfully requested to act as one of the General Treasurers.

5. The Conference has the mournful duty of recording the decease, during the past year, of **JAMES WOOD, Esq.**, of Manchester, one of the first and principal promoters of the Theological Institution, and one of its General Treasurers; and hereby expresses, at the same time, its high sense of the Christian excellencies which adorned his general character, and the constancy and zeal with which, through a long and honourable life, he promoted

the general interests of Christianity, and especially the particular system and institutions of Wesleyan Methodism.

6. The thanks of the Conference are presented to the REV. JONATHAN CROWTHER, the General Secretary, and Local Secretary of the Northern Branch, and to the REV. ALFRED BARRETT, the Local Secretary of the Southern Branch, for their services during the year. The REV. JONATHAN CROWTHER is re-appointed as General Secretary, the REV. FREDERICK J. JOBSON is appointed the Local Secretary of the Southern Branch, and the REV. ISAAC KEELING the Local Secretary of the Northern Branch, for the next year.

7. The Conference learns with satisfaction that the Quarterly Meetings of several Circuits, and several bodies of Trustees, have again forwarded contributions in support of the Institution; and trusts that their example may be generally followed.

8. Great advantage having been derived from the adoption of the plan which directed the Committee for the Special Examination of all Candidates for our Ministry to sit *before*, instead of *after*, each Annual Session of the Conference, it is further directed that all Candidates recommended by the respective District-Meetings in May, shall be summoned to London at a time to be fixed by the President, and subjected to an additional examination by a Committee, consisting of the President and the Secretary of the Conference, the Tutors and House-Governors of both Branches of the Institution, the Missionary Secretaries, and such other Ministers as may be selected for that purpose from their own number by the next Annual Meeting of the London District.—The REV. JOHN RATTENBURY and the REV. DAVID HAY are appointed the Secretaries of this Committee.

9. The Ministers are directed to collect the Donations and Subscriptions which may have been promised in their respective Circuits, and as many others as they may be able to procure, in aid of the Funds of the Theological Institution, during the first and second weeks of the month of January, 1850; and to remit them to the REV. JOHN FARRAR, at the *Wesleyan Theological Institution, Richmond, Surrey*, not later than the end of January.

Q. XXIX. Who are the GENERAL COMMITTEE for the ensuing year?

A. The President and the Secretary of the Conference; the Ex-President; the General Treasurers and Secretary; the President of the Institution; the Tutors and House-Governors of both Branches; the Local Treasurers and Secretaries; the Rev. John Scott, as one of the Treasurers of the Wesleyan Missionary Society; and the General Secretaries of that Society.—The Rev. John Mason, the Rev. Frederick J. Jobson, and Messrs. T. Crook and P. Kruse are requested to act

as Auditors ; and shall, as such, be Members of the General Committee.

Q. XXX. Who are the LOCAL COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT for the *Southern* Branch of the Institution ?

A. The President of the Conference ; the President of the Institution ; Thomas Farmer, and P. Brames Hall, Esqrs., the Local Treasurers ; the Local Secretary ; the Richmond Tutors and House-Governor ; the Rev. John Scott, one of the General Treasurers of the Wesleyan Missionary Society ; the Secretaries of that Society ; the Book-Steward and Editors ; and the following Ministers and Gentlemen :—

Rev. Dr. Beaumont,
Rev. John Brown,
Rev. William M. Bunting,
John M. Camplin, Esq.,
John Corderoy, Esq.,
Rev. Peter Duncan,
John S. Elliott, Esq.,
Rev. Joseph Fowler,
Mr. Thomas Frid,
Rev. John Geden,
Rev. John Hall,
Rev. Joseph Hargreaves,
James Hoby, Esq.,
Rev. Israel Holgate,
James Hunter, Esq.,
John Hunter, Esq.,

Rev. Timothy C. Ingle,
Thomas Knight, Esq.,
Mr. Peter Kruse,
Rev. John C. Leppington,
Rev. John Lomas,
Rev. Robert Newstead,
William F. Pocock, Esq.,
Rev. John Rattenbury,
Rev. Richard Reece,
Richard M. Reece, Esq.,
Rev. George Scott,
Rev. Joseph Stinson,
Rev. Alexander Strachan,
John Vanner, Esq.,
Greaves Walker, Esq.

Q. XXXI. Who are the LOCAL COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT for the *Northern* Branch of the Institution ?

A. The President of the Institution ; the Ex-President ; James Heald, Esq., M.P., one of the General Treasurers ; John Burton, and John D. Burton, Esqrs., Local Treasurers ; the Local Secretary ; the Didsbury Tutors and House-Governor ; and the following Ministers and Gentlemen :—

T. Allen, Esq., Macclesfield,
Rev. Alfred Barrett, Manchester,
Richard Bealey, Esq., Radcliffe,
T. P. Bunting, Esq., Manchester,
W. Cheesborough, Esq., Bradford,
C. Cooper, Esq., Manchester,
T. Crook, Esq., Liverpool,
J. Fernley, Esq., Manchester,
James Garstang, Esq., ditto,
Rev. Charles Haydon, ditto,
J. R. Kay, Esq., Bury,
Rev. William Kelk, Manchester,
John Lomas, Esq., ditto,
Rev. John M'Owan, Bolton,
Rev. P. M'Owan, Liverpool,
Rev. G. Marsden, Glossop,

G. Marsden, Esq., Manchester,
J. Marshall, Esq., Stockport,
John Mayson, Esq., Manchester,
Rev. W. Naylor, Manchester,
Rev. George Osborn, ditto,
Rev. Richard Ray, ditto,
Rev. W. W. Stamp, Liverpool,
G. Turner, Esq., M.D., Stockport,
A. Vickers, Esq., Disley,
Rev. S. D. Waddy, Sheffield,
Rev. F. A. West, Huddersfield,
J. P. Westhead, Esq., M.P., Manchester,
E. Westhead, Esq., ditto,
Rev. R. Wood, ditto,
Peter Wood, Esq., M.D., ditto.

EDUCATION.

Q. XXXII. What are the Resolutions of the Conference on the subject of **WESLEYAN EDUCATION**?

A. 1. The Conference adopts the following Resolutions of the Special Meeting of the Committee of Education, held in Manchester, on Monday, July 23d, 1849:—

(1.) “That this Committee, having heard the statements of the London Educational Committee respecting the outlay contemplated in the erection of the Normal Schools, &c., at Westminster, and the proposed means for meeting the expenditure,—also statements of the probable annual cost of efficiently conducting those establishments, and a plan for providing for this charge,—expresses its gratification at finding that both these desirable objects are shown to be practicable, and cordially concurs in the following Resolution of the Committee, at a General Meeting held in London, on the 12th of June last; viz.,—

“That this Meeting is of opinion that the revised plan and estimates now brought before it are, on the whole, satisfactory, and, in its judgment, will not incur the risk of any such future and contingent embarrassment as would justify any further delay in attempting to carry out the noble scheme which has been so long contemplated; that, though difficulties must, in every such case, be anticipated, they are not so great but that they may be surmounted by the blessing of God, and the enlightened zeal and benevolence of our friends; that further delay would, in various ways, be most hazardous, and indeed inevitably injurious; and that, therefore, this General Committee hereby sanctions and authorises the Acting Committee to take such immediate steps as they may think expedient for the erection of the Westminster Schools, on the most economical plan which they may yet be able to devise.”

(2.) “That the Conference be earnestly recommended to afford this undertaking its continued sanction; and especially that it be requested to direct the Education Committee to send a Deputation to some of the leading provincial towns, for the purpose of stating the plans and objects connected with this great movement; this Committee being fully persuaded that the Connexion will be found ready to give an adequate amount of pecuniary support to this important Wesleyan and national object.

(3.) “That this Committee respectfully requests the Conference to urge upon the Circuits generally the duty of taking measures, in their several localities, for providing means for the employment, to its full extent, of that enlarged agency which will shortly be supplied by the Normal Institution, when it is completed.”

2. The thanks of the Conference are presented to the **REV. JOHN SCOTT**, the Chairman of the Education Committee; to

JAMES HUNTER, Esq., and the REV. JOHN RATTENBURY, the Treasurers; to the REV. THOMAS VASEY, the REV. JAMES GILCHRIST WILSON, and the REV. MICHAEL C. TAYLOR, the Secretaries; and to the Members of the Acting Committee, for the zealous and faithful manner in which they have discharged the duties of their respective departments during the year.

3. The REV. JOHN SCOTT is re-appointed the Chairman of the Committee; JAMES HUNTER, Esq., and the REV. JOHN RATTENBURY, are re-appointed the Treasurers; and the REV. THOMAS VASEY, the REV. JAMES GILCHRIST WILSON, and the REV. MICHAEL C. TAYLOR, are re-appointed the Secretaries for the ensuing year.

4. The Committee shall consist of the following persons; viz.,—the President and Secretary of the Conference, the Ex-President, the Rev. John Scott, (*Chairman*,) the Treasurers and Secretaries,

Rev. Dr. Alder,
 — William Arthur,
 — Dr. Beaumont,
 — Dr. Beecham,
 — Willson Brailsford,
 — John Brown,
 — Dr. Bunting,
 — William M. Bunting,
 — Peter Duncan,
 — Joseph Fowler,
 — John Hall,
 — Joseph Hargreaves,
 — Israel Holgate,
 — Timothy C. Ingle,
 — Samuel Jackson,
 — Frederick J. Jobson,
 — John Lomas,
 — John Mason,
 — Robert Newstead,
 — Thomas Pennington,
 — George Scott, 1st,
 — William L. Thornton, M.A.,
 — Theophilus Woolmer;

James Heald, Esq., M.P.,
 Joshua P. Westhead, Esq., M.P.,
 Mr. Armstrong,
 Mr. D. Birt,
 Mr. William Bourne,
 J. Brogden, Esq.,
 Mr. J. Chubb,
 J. S. Elliott, Esq.,
 Thomas Farmer, Esq.,
 Thomas Gurney, Esq.,
 P. Brames Hall, Esq.,
 James Hoby, Esq.,
 Mr. W. Ince,
 Thomas Knight, Esq.,
 Mr. P. Kruse,
 J. Lidgett, Esq.,
 R. Matthews, Esq.,
 R. M. Reece, Esq.,
 John Vanner, Esq.,
 Greaves Walker, Esq.;—

And, for the Country,

Rev. William Bacon,
 — William Barton,
 — Alexander Bell,
 — John Bowers,
 — Jonathan Crowther,
 — Dr. Dixon,
 — Joseph Entwisle,
 — Samuel R. Hall,
 — John P. Haswell,
 — William Illingworth,
 — Isaac Keeling,
 — George B. Macdonald,
 — Peter M'Owan,

Rev. James Methley,
 — William Naylor,
 — George Osborn,
 — John C. Pengelly,
 — Charles Prest,
 — John Rigg,
 — John Stephenson,
 — William Vevers,
 — Samuel D. Waddy,
 — Francis A. West,
 — Robert Wood,
 — Robert Young;

S. Bennett, Esq., Bickering's-Park,
 W. Betts, Esq., Southampton,
 T. P. Bunting, Esq., Manchester,
 J. Burton, Esq., Leeds,
 J. D. Burton, Esq., Manchester,
 J. Carne, Esq., Penzance,
 C. Cooper, Esq., Manchester,
 T. Crook, Esq., Liverpool,
 James Henwood, Esq., Hull,
 Henry Holland, Esq., Bristol,
 J. Irving, Esq., ditto,
 J. R. Kay, Esq., Bury,
 John Mayson, Esq., Manchester,

Mr. Alderman Meek, York,
 F. Parnell, Esq., Manchester,
 Thomas Sands, Esq., Liverpool,
 Dr. Sandwith, Hull,
 John Sercombe, Esq., Exeter,
 W. Shippery, Esq., Worthing,
 George Smith, Esq., Camborne,
 S. H. Smith, Esq., Sheffield,
 T. Sowerby, Esq., Grimsby,
 Thomas Sutcliffe, Esq., Willow-Hall,
 T. Walker, Esq., Cheltenham,
 W. Walker, Esq., Bradford,
 Dr. Peter Wood, Manchester.

5. The state of Education shall be considered at each annual District-Meeting, as directed by the Minutes of 1841; when the Circuit-Schedules on this subject shall be carefully examined, and transmitted, with one General District-Schedule, to the Secretaries, not later than the 15th day of June. (See Minutes, 1841, Vol. IX., p. 246.)

6. The Conference being aware of the inconvenience and distress, or even positive failure, which would probably result in cases where any other *item* of importance, beyond the *current expenses* of the School, might be required to be annually provided for, recommends to all Local Committees to aim, in the commencement of their respective undertakings, at having their School premises entirely free from debt; and with a view to the securing of this object,—

The Conference directs the parties contemplating the erection of premises (or any expensive alteration or enlargement of premises already erected) for the establishment of *new* Schools, to communicate,—*First*, With the Education Committee, for the purpose of receiving suitable counsel as to the general eligibility of their projected undertaking, and the adaptation of the premises to the system of instruction designed to be adopted; and, *Secondly*, With the Chapel-Building Committee, for the purpose of receiving such advice and assistance, in regard to the proposed building-plans and estimates, as the experience of that Committee may enable them to give.

7. The following Ministers and Friends are particularly invited to attend a Special Meeting of the above-named Education Committee, which will be held in London, at nine o'clock, A.M., on Monday, July 29th, 1850; viz.,—

Rev. Corbett Cooke,
 — Joseph Cusworth,
 — Henry Davies,
 — Thomas Eastwood,
 — John Farrar,
 — Thomas Harris,
 — John Hobson,
 — William Horton,

Rev. Robert Jackson,
 — William Lord,
 — George Marsden,
 — Richard Reece,
 — Barnard Slater,
 — Jacob Stanley, sen.,
 — Edward Walker,
 — Daniel Walton ;

Benjamin Agar, Esq., York,
 Mr. John Bate, Faversham,
 Richard Bealey, Esq., Bury,
 James Chadwick, Esq., York,
 W. Dyson, Esq., Howden,
 John Fernley, Esq., Manchester,
 George Fishwick, Esq., Garstang,
 W. Haydon, Esq., Guildford,
 T. Holmes, Esq., Hull,
 Mr. James B. Job, Truro,
 R. Johnson, Esq., Manchester,
 W. R. Johnson, Esq., Liverpool,

J. Lofthouse, Esq., Sheffield,
 Solomon Mease, Esq., Shields,
 J. B. Sharpley, Esq., Louth,
 William Skinner, Esq., Stockton,
 George Smith, Esq., Leeds,
 William Smith, Esq., ditto,
 William Turner, Esq., Derby,
 George Turner, Esq., Stockport,
 Archibald Vickers, Esq., Disley,
 Richard Walker, Esq., Stockton,
 Ralph Wilson, Esq., Newcastle;

and any other Friends who are disposed to take an active part in the support and extension of our Day-School System.

Communications respecting Candidates for training to be addressed to the REV. THOMAS VASEY, *Stamford-Hill, London*. Applications for Teachers, and all communications from and respecting Teachers, to be addressed to the REV. J. GILCHRIST WILSON, 26, *Bunhill-Row, London*. All other communications to be addressed to the REV. M. C. TAYLOR, 10, *St. George's Terrace, Islington, London*.

CATECHUMEN CLASSES, AND PASTORAL CARE OF THE YOUNG.

Q. XXXIII. What does the Conference determine on the subject of CATECHUMEN CLASSES, AND PASTORAL CARE OF THE YOUNG?

A. 1. The Conference receives the Report of the Committee on Catechumen Classes with pleasure and gratitude, and directs that the following Resolutions of the Committee which was specially appointed in 1846, to consider the plans which had then been presented, shall be again published:—

(1.) “That this Committee is convinced of the obligation which rests on all Christian Pastors, to feed and take the oversight of the lambs, as well as the sheep, of the flock of Christ; and of the necessity which exists for the adoption of some well-devised system, in order to the efficient discharge of this great duty.

(2.) “That it appears desirable to provide some means by which the Young Persons belonging to the families composing our Societies and Congregations may be formally recognised as the subjects of pastoral care, and receive such instructions as may be suitable and necessary for them, without being regarded as accredited members, or having a claim to the privileges, of our communion.

(3.) “That we therefore recommend, that an effort should be immediately made in every Circuit to commence a work of such acknowledged importance, by collecting at least one Class of Young Persons, of twelve years old and upwards, for whose instruction in Christian truth and duty the Ministers of the Circuit shall be responsible.

(4.) "But as, in many Circuits, it may be found impossible for the Ministers to take charge of all those young persons who may be eligible for such Classes, or desirous of joining them, they shall be at liberty to employ suitable persons, in communion with ourselves, as Assistants either in the charge of existing Classes, or for forming additional ones, as may be found necessary: provided that the Ministers in every case shall take care that the persons employed shall be decidedly religious, heartily attached to our Doctrine and Discipline, possessed of competent gifts for teaching, and desirous of qualifying themselves for this work to the utmost of their power; and also, that the subjects of instruction in the Classes shall be selected at the discretion of the Ministers, whose counsel shall be afforded to their Assistants in their preparations for teaching."

2. The Conference, deeply sensible of the great advantage which this cause has derived from the indefatigable labours of the REV. SAMUEL JACKSON, offers to him its cordial thanks, and its congratulations on the prospect of increasing usefulness in this department of our work; and further appoints him Convener of the Committee now to be re-appointed on this subject; and directs those friends who have inquiries to make, or suggestions to offer, to communicate with him.

3. The following brethren are appointed a Committee for the general direction of this effort:—

The President of the Conference,
The Secretary of the Conference,
Rev. Jonathan Crowther,
— J. Dixon, D.D.,
— Robert Huston,
— Robert Jackson,
— Samuel Jackson,
— Frederick J. Jobson,
— John Lomas,

Rev. James Methley,
— George Osborn,
— William H. Rule,
— Robinson Scott,
— William L. Thornton, M.A.,
— Thomas Waugh,
— Francis A. West,
— Robert Young;

with power to add to their number.

N.B. Authority is given to MR. JACKSON to receive subscriptions towards the support of a Catechist in France.

RELIGIOUS OBSERVANCE OF THE SABBATH.

Q. XXXIV. What Resolutions does the Conference adopt, in reference to the RELIGIOUS OBSERVANCE OF THE SABBATH?

A. 1. The Conference adopts with satisfaction the Report of the Sabbath Committee, and directs that it be printed under the supervision of our Editors, and extensively circulated among our people. The Conference also approves generally of the suggestions of the Committee, and recommends that sermons on the due observance of the Lord's Day be delivered by our Ministers on one of the Sundays in October next.

2. That the cordial thanks of the Conference be given to the

REV. ROBERT NEWSTEAD, the Secretary of the Sabbath Committee, for his assiduous services in this department. The following Ministers shall constitute the Committee for the ensuing year :—

The President of the Conference,
The Secretary of the Conference,
The Ex-President,
Rev. Dr. Beecham,
— Dr. Bunting,
— William M. Bunting,
— Frederick J. Jobson,

Rev. John Lomas,
— John Mason,
— George Scott,
— John Scott,
— William L. Thornton, M.A.,
— R. Newstead, *Secretary*.

PASTORAL VISITATION.

Q. XXXV. What further measures does the Conference direct on the subject of the PASTORAL VISITATION of our Societies and Congregations?

A. The Conference approves and adopts the following Report of the Committee appointed by the Conference of 1846, to consider and present a “General Plan for securing in every Circuit a more regular and systematic Visitation of our people,” who met in the Centenary Hall, London, on February 9th, 1847, and following days; viz.,—

I. That this Committee recognises the absolute obligation which is laid upon all the Ministers of our Circuits to secure, by mutual consultation and arrangement, such a general, stated, and efficient visitation of our people at their own dwellings, as is involved as well in the scriptural command to “feed the flock of God,” as in those other statements of the sacred volume which in varied language represent Christian Ministers as the Under-Shepherds of Christ;—that this obligation has been solemnly confessed, both at the time when we received ordination, and also when on subsequent occasions our approval of the Minutes of 1820, in which this duty is detailed, has been acknowledged:—And that thus recognising the obligation, this Committee suggests, that the general ministerial duties of Circuits should in given cases be so allotted and arranged, as that families, especially among the working classes, which cannot be collected or found during the day, may be visited in the evening.

II. That notwithstanding the obvious benefits which accrue to our Connexion generally from our peculiar system of Itinerancy, and of stated and extensive Village Ministrations, its disadvantages as affecting this part of the Pastoral care must not be overlooked. Joining this circumstance to the facts, that since Methodism arose the habits of society are greatly altered, and that, even now, the disproportion between the number of Members and Pastors, comparing ours with other churches, is exceedingly great, this Committee is agreed that it would be unreasonable to expect that personal visits of the Minister could, under existing arrangements, be made to *all the extent* that is desired;—especially when it is further considered, that many of our Members, from various

causes, are not individually accessible ; that numbers are employed in manufactories, and can only be visited at times when the Minister is unavoidably engaged in other duties ; and that, in large towns especially, our Ministers have their time much occupied by claims from public and religious institutions, in addition to their own indispensable ministerial duties and engagements.—On all these accounts it is incumbent upon our people themselves to render us their aid in removing difficulties out of the way, and in affording facilities for the accomplishment of this object.

III. That the difficulties arising from the causes just mentioned have been greatly increased by the calls which have been made almost perpetually upon many of our Ministers for such labours as take them away from their own Circuits,—the preaching of Sunday-School and Chapel Anniversary Sermons, and the like,—involving the necessity of taking long journeys, occasioning frequent absences from home, and thereby subtracting from the time which such Ministers would otherwise have at their disposal for the visitation and special oversight of their own people.

IV. That it is painfully evident to this Committee, that in consequence of the ever-multiplying cares which now devolve upon our Pastorate, both of a spiritual and economical nature, and because of the great number of persons who statedly worship with us, and yet have not joined our Societies,—who justly claim our attention, and yet are not reached by our usual Quarterly Visitation of the Classes,—no such full accomplishment of the object as the Conference desires can be realised without an *increase of Ministers* ; and the Committee suggests, that our Circuit-Stewards and lay-friends generally should consider the best and most prudent means of procuring and supporting such an increase in their several localities.

V. That notwithstanding all the difficulties which have been stated, this Committee is, however, convinced, that by a wise economy of time, by a carefully arranged *system*, and by perseverance and energy, much *more* may be accomplished ; and that in the present day the increased temporal cares and dangers of our own people, and their increased exposure to the manifold seductions of worldliness and error, make this additional zeal and energy on our part to be a matter of absolute necessity.

VI. That this Committee therefore respectfully suggests to the Conference the propriety of enjoining as follows :—

1. That the attention of Class-Leaders shall be again particularly directed to that original Rule of our Societies which requires them to give stated information to the Minister of those members who are sick, or require to be specially visited.

2. That the conscientious and increased attention of our Ministers be directed to the Minute of the Conference in 1836, Q. xxvii., in reference to the “ Occasional Visits of

Preachers to other Circuits ; ” especially to that clause which enjoins our Ministers to restrict their engagements of this nature “ *within such bounds as will consist with their paramount and indispensable obligations to their own Circuits.* ”

3. That every Minister be required to see that the Class-Books are properly filled up and kept, especially with reference to the insertion of the names and residences of the members ; and to make such use of these books as he may deem necessary for the purpose of Pastoral Visitation.

4. That the Ministers be exhorted frequently to direct their attention to Mr. Wesley’s Advices on the subject, contained in the Minutes of 1766, in which the objects to be attained by Pastoral Visitation are distinctly set forth, and the spirit in which it ought to be conducted is admirably inculcated.

5. That in the devotional exercises connected with their Pastoral Visits, the Ministers shall introduce the reading of a suitable portion of the Holy Scriptures, as constantly as possible.

6. That each large Circuit be divided into Sections, according to a mutual arrangement to be made by the Ministers at their Weekly Meetings ; and that each Minister be held responsible for the visitation of his own Section.

7. That, in harmony with the design of these regulations, the Quarterly Visitation of the Classes be made as impressive as possible, and used as the occasion of special admonition and instruction ; and that no person shall be entered upon the Society-Schedule as a “ backslider ” upon slight or insufficient grounds, nor without particular inquiry into the case,—nor even, whenever it may be practicable, without a personal visitation on the part of one of the Ministers of the Circuit.

8. That this important department of ministerial duty be statedly made the subject of direct and specific inquiry and conversation, both by the Superintendents of Circuits in their Weekly Meetings with their respective Colleagues, and by the Chairmen of Districts in their several District-Meetings.

HOME MISSIONS.

Q. XXXVI. How may the MISSIONARY CHARACTER OF OUR HOME-WORK be better sustained, and its usefulness extended ?

A. With a view to obtain additional means for the spread and support of the work of God, by the more extensive preaching of the Gospel in our own country, especially in districts which peculiarly need such efforts, the Conference, after careful deliberation, resolves, that in Circuits where such a step may be considered to be practicable and expedient, the Superintendents and other Ministers may very advantageously hold, once a year, a Public Meeting, for the purpose of laying before our congregations and

friends the necessity and duty of further exertions to meet the spiritual exigencies which so largely exist, and to increase, by an enlargement and extension of our established and usual system, the number of those who are sent forth by our body to evangelize the destitute portions of the land.

ATTENDANCE OF MINISTERS AT THE CONFERENCE.

Q. XXXVII. As growing difficulty is likely to be experienced, in consequence of the increased number of our Ministers, in providing the usual accommodation for such of them as may from time to time be authorised to ATTEND THE ANNUAL CONFERENCES, can any further steps be now taken in reference to that subject ?

A. We very seriously feel the duty of paying a constant and vigilant attention to this matter, and of limiting, by some efficient means, the number of Ministers at each Conference, so as to prevent the entailing of material inconvenience or burden on our friends, who kindly entertain the Ministers on such occasions. There seem to be, however, strong reasons against any *new* or *additional* restrictions, which necessity does not absolutely and immediately require. We have, therefore, revised our existing Regulations ; and now agree to reprint them, as thus revised, in connexion with this Minute. We require our District-Meetings strictly and conscientiously to conform to them, and enjoin our *Chairmen* of Districts, in particular, to enforce them firmly and impartially ; and we expect from the prudence and good sense of the Ministers themselves, that, however they may laudably desire to participate in the incalculable benefits to be derived from a frequent intercourse with their Fathers and Brethren in our Annual Assemblies, they will not urge their wishes or claims in contravention of any of our established Rules ; nor yet, *even within the limits prescribed by Rule*, to any such extent, as would be inconsistent with a due regard to the comfort and convenience of our friends in the several Conference-Towns, and to our solemn obligations, as Christian Pastors, to respect the paramount claims of our Societies and Congregations upon our services and attention.

“ The District-Committees respectively shall have the right of fixing upon the Preachers who are to attend the Conference ; subject, however, to the following limitations, viz., —

“ 1. The expenses of going to and from the Conference shall be defrayed by the Circuits, or by the Preachers themselves.

“ 2. Let not all the Preachers from any Circuit ever come to the Conference, except, in very special cases, the District-Meeting shall decide, that all the brethren in any Circuit ought to attend.

“ 3. Let those who have leave to attend set out as late, and return as soon, as possible.

"4. The Preachers on Trial shall not attend the Conference, unless sent for.

"5. Nothing in these Rules shall be so construed as to prevent those Preachers from attending the Conference, against whom there lies any accusation or complaint.

"The Conference directs that these 'Revised Rules,' on the subject of the attendance of Ministers at the Conference, shall be annually read by the Chairman in every District-Meeting, just before the list is made of Preachers who are allowed to attend the following Conference. The District-Meetings are required to act strictly upon the Rules thus read. Every Chairman is directed to present to the President, during the first week of the Conference, a list of any Preachers in his District who shall have come to the Conference in violation of these Rules, or without the consent of the District-Meeting."

The Conference requires the Chairmen of Districts to enforce the strict observance of those Articles of the Rules, especially, which enjoin that no Circuit shall be left without at least one resident Minister; and that those who are permitted to attend shall be exhorted to "set out as late, and to return as early, as possible."

CASES OF DISCIPLINE.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE CONFERENCE OF THE METHODIST MINISTERS IN THE CONNEXION ESTABLISHED BY THE LATE REV. JOHN WESLEY, A.M., IN REFERENCE TO RECENT IMPORTANT DECISIONS AND ACTS OF DISCIPLINE.

ADVERTISEMENT.—Aware that previously to its annual assembly, and during its session, various misrepresentations were in circulation; and that, in all probability, erroneous statements would continue to be put forth, in some cases, for want of better information;—and considering that the Ministers and faithful people of the Connexion have a claim to be supplied with correct and authentic statements concerning its decisions and acts of discipline in cases of so great interest and importance as some which have been recently determined, the Conference gave directions for the immediate publication of such extracts from the Records of its proceedings, and such explanations respecting them, as may at once remove doubt and uncertainty from all candid minds.

I.

IN order to a correct understanding of recent occurrences, it will be necessary to speak shortly of the transactions of some preceding years. The attempts which have been made to disturb the Connexion by means of anonymous hostile publications may be traced back to 1844 or 1845, when the first "Fly-Sheet" appeared. No. II. was published in 1846; and a second edition of No. I., and No. III., in 1847. These papers were characterized by intense bitterness of feeling in reference to certain excellent Ministers, whom they described as "indolent," "selfish," "artful," "ambitious," and "tyrannical;" and also by other personalities, so grossly offensive and libellous, that the parties issuing them did

not dare to affix the name of either printer or publisher. Not content with endeavouring to damage the character of individuals who had hitherto been regarded with the highest esteem, the writers attacked the administration of the affairs of the Connexion in general. They declared that its resources were perverted to uphold a system of favouritism, oppression, and extravagance; that many of the public acts of the Conference proceeded from corrupt motives, or were of a mischievous tendency; and while suggesting extensive changes in its system of proceeding, and representing the members of the Conference as enslaved, and longing for emancipation, they exhorted them to vigorous and united efforts to shake off the unhallowed yoke. The certain and obvious tendency—not to say the avowed design—of these publications, was to destroy the mutual confidence upon which our Connexion is based, and to subvert, or at least greatly to impede the operation of, our several institutions.

At first it was hoped that the notorious falsehood and excessive virulence of these papers would render them comparatively harmless, and they were therefore suffered to proceed unnoticed. But in course of time this hope proved not to have been well-founded; and the silence of the parties concerned was interpreted as significant of approval on the one part, and conscious guilt on the other. The Conference of 1847, therefore, spoke plainly and decisively, by adopting, with only *two* dissentients, of whom Mr. Samuel Dunn was one, the following resolution:—

Certain anonymous papers, bearing no name either of the authors or printers, having been circulated in our Connexion during the last year, which contained many serious imputations on the integrity and disinterestedness of several of our senior Ministers, and other official members of the Conference, we feel it our duty to express our solemn conviction that the spirit in which such publications originate is entirely at variance with the law of Christ; and that the Brethren thus wickedly and slanderously attacked deserve our sympathy and unabated confidence. And with reference to the Rev. Dr. Bunting, and the Rev. Dr. Newton, in particular, the Conference gladly takes this opportunity of re-asserting those sentiments of affectionate respect which it has already more than once expressed in its published Resolutions, particularly in the Minutes of 1833 and 1835.

Many now believed that this strong expression of opinion would put an end to the agitation; but the series of anonymous papers was still carried on, and a new edition of the whole was advertised for public sale in the spring of the present year. In the mean time, circumstances occurred which led to the discovery of one of the contributors to these justly offensive publications. The Rev. Daniel Walton was accused before a Minor District-Meeting, of having been cognisant and concerned in the preparation of them, and that charge was sufficiently established. The Annual District-Meeting confirmed the proceedings of the Minor District-Meeting, and recommended them to the adoption of the Conference.

The Conference, after hearing all the documents relating to the case, and the evidence adduced at the Minor District-Meeting, proceeded to hear Mr. Walton's appeal. It had been before ruled that the *right* to an appeal had been forfeited by his refusal to enter into the subject at the May District-Meeting; but, as a matter of favour, it was most cheerfully conceded to him. In the course of his address to the Conference, Mr. Walton manifested a very different spirit from that which had characterized his defence before the District-Committees. He expressed his regret at the continuance of the system of anonymous slander among us, and at the use which had been made of his manuscript by the publication of it in the "Fly-Sheets," and stated that he altogether disapproved of the spirit in which the "Fly-Sheets" were written,—that the time was come when, in his opinion, they ought to be put down, and *must* be put down; and that he was willing to assist the Conference in putting them down, so far as he could with a good conscience do so; and also to promise that his Brethren should not, in future, be troubled with any complaints of this nature, in reference to him.

Under these circumstances, the Conference was willing to believe that it might be sufficient to adopt the Resolutions of the Manchester District-Meeting, though they had been originally framed with reference to the private and personal, rather than to the public and Connexional, aspect of Mr. Walton's case. Those Resolutions were as follows:—

1. That this Meeting expresses its high estimate of the care, patience, and impartiality, with which the members of the Minor District-Meeting have investigated this painful subject, and its grateful satisfaction in the Christian spirit and ability with which the Minutes and other documents of that Meeting have been prepared.

2. That this Meeting approves and accepts the Report of the Minor District-Meeting; and, having entire confidence in the justice of the conclusions which that Meeting has recorded, recommends to the Conference the adoption of these conclusions, and the recommendations thereto appended, viz.,—

(1.) That he (Mr. Walton) be solemnly admonished from the Chair by the President of the next Conference.

(2.) That he be declared to be disqualified, for the present, for being the Superintendent of a Circuit.

The adoption of these Resolutions was moved by the Rev. Richard Reece, seconded by the Rev. Dr. Dixon, and carried, with only three dissentients, viz., Messrs. Samuel Dunn, Robert Harrison, and William Griffith, jun.

II.

The lucid and impressive observations which have already been given through the press, by the report of the speech which the President first addressed to the Conference after his election, and also of his remarks on introducing the "Examination of Character," convey such felicitous explanations of the principles by

which the proceedings of the Conference have from the beginning been regulated,* that it is thought the following extracts from them will form an appropriate and illustrative introduction to the documents next presented.

In addressing the Conference on the subject of his election, the President said, "He must advert to one painful particular. He had mourned over the attempts which had been made to innovate upon their system. A secret irresponsible power had risen up, which interfered with the just rights of the Conference,—which reflected on its acts and appointments,—and which endeavoured, in various instances, to render these acts and appointments null and void. Strenuous attempts had been made to render their services, as Ministers of the Gospel, perfectly useless, and to bring their characters into disrespect and contempt. He mourned over this state of things, because it interfered with the blessed work of God, and particularly with the great and sacred Missionary cause. The evil had been borne with for some years. The Conference had had this subject before it two years ago, and had recorded its solemn judgment in its printed Minutes; nevertheless, the evil had increased since. The Conference, the highest authority in this community, was bearded by this secret and irresponsible power. He had a full conviction that the time was come when this evil should be dealt with, and effectually corrected; and, by the grace of God, done away with, he trusted, for ever. He believed they were all inclined to unite in the prayer suggested by a line in one of their hymns,—

‘End, Jesus, end this war within.’

This ‘war’ among themselves must be terminated. It was a stumbling-block to their people, and the occasion of scandal to other Christian communities. It retarded them in their great work, and they must not tolerate this evil any longer, ‘lest they should be partakers of other men’s sins.’ In making these observations, he was not prejudging the case. He knew not the offenders, nor did he take upon himself to dictate what should be the manner of dealing with this evil. But they ought to put an end to it, not, indeed, in vindictiveness; not in the spirit of revenge, but of jealousy for the honour of God, and pity for the offenders, to whom God would, he trusted, ‘give repentance to the acknowledgment of the truth.’”

On the subject of “Examination of Character,” the President observed, that “he considered that the annual examination of the

* These principles have been constantly acted on, not only in the Conference, but in all its District-Committees, from the beginning; and the parties who now object to the application of them have formerly submitted, without demur, to answer such questions as have been proposed to them; and must have repeatedly witnessed the application of the same principles to others, both in respect to points of doctrine and discipline.

character of their Ministers was an essential part of their ecclesiastical economy. The constitution of Methodism was, in some respects, peculiar;—it had been so from the beginning. Their Societies were designated, by their venerated Founder, ‘United Societies;’ not distinct churches, but one body, governed by the same discipline. In consequence of their itinerancy, their Ministers stood in a peculiar relation to each other: it was, consequently, necessary that a perfect unanimity should be maintained amongst them. Mr. Wesley saw, at an early period, that unless the Preachers were united, and had a tender affection for and confidence in one another, they could not labour together in harmony. He therefore very wisely required that, once a year, there should be an examination into the moral and ministerial character of every Preacher. Fidelity in the examination of character was an inestimable benefit, with reference to their purity as Preachers, and to the welfare of the Societies committed to their care. They must have confidence in one another, as to their Christian integrity, or they could not carry out their system. In so large a community evils would arise; and these must be met and corrected in the spirit of Christian kindness, but, at the same time, in the spirit of fidelity. If anything that was morally wrong arose among them, they must repress it, or they would be unfaithful to one another, and to the cause of God. He found a direction, in the Minutes of 1777, as follows:—

Q. 6. Are there any objections to any of our Preachers?

A. Yes. It is objected that most of them are not called of God to preach. This deserves our serious consideration. In the Large Minutes we ask, *How shall we try those who think they are called of God to preach?* (*Vide* Wesley’s Works, 3d edit., Vol. VIII., pp. 324, 325.)

Q. 7. Is this method of trial sufficient,—can we find a better? Weigh this matter impartially.

A. We cannot find any better method, any more scriptural, or more rational.

Q. 8. But suppose they were called once, have not many of them forfeited their calling?

A. Examine them one by one; and whoever has any objection or doubt, concerning any one, let him now speak without any disguise or reserve, or for ever hold his peace.—Minutes, Vol. I., pp. 128, 129.

If a Minister knows of anything that is wrong in one or more of his Brethren, it would be sinful in him to maintain an absolute silence in the Conference, and then to go out and speak of it. There was a peculiarity in Mr. Wesley’s phraseology,—‘*they were examined:*’ not, ‘inquiries were made respecting them;’ but, ‘*they were examined.*’ This was regularly done, and especially in all doubtful cases. He trusted it would now be done faithfully by the Conference. If they were not to exercise a supervision over one another, the sooner their union was dissolved the better. If any brother in this Connexion of Ministers had just ground of complaint, let him then state it. If there was any real grievance, in the name of the Lord Jesus, let that grievance be redressed. Let them say

what was in their hearts to one another, in the name and in the presence of God."

III.

Proceedings of the Conference in the Cases of the Rev. J. Everett and the Rev. J. Burdsall.

1. The Conference re-asserts its general authority, and the general authority of the several District-Meetings,—an authority in full accordance with the ancient rules and usages of the Connexion, and supported especially by the Minutes of 1777, (Q. VIII., p. 129, Vol. I.,) and the Declaratory Resolutions of the Conference in 1835, (Q. XXIII., pp. 549, 550, Vol. VII.,)—to require a frank and brotherly answer from any Minister in the body, for the satisfaction of his fellow-labourers, on any question seriously affecting the peace, unity, and order of the Connexion.

2. In the exercise of this undoubted right, the Conference deemed it to be its solemn duty to God, and to our body, to put a brotherly question to Mr. Everett; which question he positively and peremptorily refused to answer, expressing his refusal in terms, and in a tone, justly offensive. A similar question was put to Mr. Burdsall; which he also, though in a very different manner, declined to answer.

3. Unwilling to proceed in matters of so great importance without calm and forbearing deliberation, the Conference postponed the further consideration of them until nine o'clock the next morning, that Mr. Everett might have time and opportunity to re-consider the determination which he had avowed, not to purge himself at once, by a frank denial, if innocent, from the suspicions reasonably and, on much presumptive and circumstantial evidence, generally entertained respecting his guilty connexion with, or concern in, the authorship, editorship, compilation, or distribution of the anonymous printed papers entitled "Fly-Sheets." It was desired that Mr. Burdsall also should have time allowed him for further thought and reflection.

4. For this purpose, a deputation, consisting of our brethren Messrs. Joseph Cusworth and William Ververs, was sent by the Conference to Messrs. Everett and Burdsall, to signify to them that the Conference had postponed the further consideration of their cases until the next morning, that they might, as above stated, review their declared purposes; and that the Conference invited them to attend its sitting at the hour appointed.

5. But Mr. Everett returned an answer, in which Mr. Burdsall concurred, explicitly refusing to attend, or to reply to any inquiries.

Upon a deliberate and careful review of these cases, the Conference determines as follows:—

1. That, considering that in its own conscientious judgment, and in the expressed opinion of many of our judicious people, a

decisive check ought immediately to be given to the wicked, agitating, and divisive proceedings which have lately been pursued by the publication of the "Fly-Sheets," as well as of other kindred productions; and considering, also, that when Mr. Everett had the fairest opportunity afforded to him by this Conference of purging himself from the strong and generally prevalent suspicion of his being a partaker in such proceedings, he contumaciously refused to do it, the Conference feels it now to be its painful, but imperative, duty to "expel and put out" Mr. James Everett "from being a member" of the Conference, "or from being in connexion therewith;" but accompanies this act of necessary discipline with the hope and prayer that it may please God to bring him to a better mind, and guide him into a different course of action. *

2. That, with respect to Mr. John Burdsall, it is with unaffected grief that the Conference has heard his refusal to answer the question which has now been propounded to him,—a refusal which the Conference must strongly censure and condemn. But, taking into consideration Mr. Burdsall's former character and services, his advanced age, and the mental and physical weakness, which he himself pleads, the Conference refrains from any further exercise of discipline in his case; yet it earnestly and affectionately admonishes him to abstain from all divisive proceedings, and to disconnect himself entirely from those by whom such proceedings are carried on, or encouraged.

IV.

Case of the Rev. John C. George.

The Conference received the following report of a special Committee, to whom the consideration of the case of Mr. George was referred; viz.,—1. That John C. George having refused, in the presence of the Conference, to answer certain questions which were officially put to him from the Chair, and having had the opportunity of meeting the Special Committee for further explanation and inquiry, repeated his refusal to answer, alleging that he felt himself bound in honour to stand or fall with other brethren who were in the same position with himself; but, 2. That considering all the circumstances of the case, the Committee deem it sufficient to recommend that he should be reprov'd from the Chair, and declared to be disqualified, at present, for the office of Superintendent of a Circuit. The Conference resolved to adopt the

* In pursuance of this object, the former deputation (Messrs. Cusworth and Vevers) was again sent to Mr. Everett after the morning meeting of the Conference which he had been invited, but had refused, to attend, and before the Resolution above recited was proposed and carried, requesting him once more to present himself before the Conference, and respond to its inquiries. But he again positively declared that he would answer no question relating to the "Fly-Sheets," and that he would not attend the Conference. He was accordingly expelled.

report of the Committee; and Mr. George was accordingly declared to be disqualified, for the present, for the office of Superintendent, and was solemnly reprov'd from the Chair.

V.

Case of the Rev. Samuel Dunn.

At the Annual Meeting of the Nottingham and Derby District-Committee, charges were preferred against Mr. Dunn, to the effect that, by the publication of a periodical, entitled "The Wesley Banner," he had contravened the laws and usages of the Connexion, endangered its peace, and aspersed the character of a large majority of its Ministers. The District-Committee state in their Minutes, that it was in evidence before them, "that the tendency of this publication is to promote 'strifes and divisions;'—that it greatly 'endangers the peace' of our Societies; and is dividing our people both in sentiment and feeling, of which we have some painful instances in this District." They thereupon recommended Mr. Dunn to accept a proposition which had been made to him by Mr. Clarkson, to withdraw the charges, on condition that the periodical should be at once given up. But this recommendation, though strongly and affectionately urged upon Mr. Dunn, both from the Chair, and by almost every Minister in the Meeting, he positively declined to accept. The District-Committee, therefore, having no alternative left to them, resolved that the "Wesley Banner" ought to be discontinued, and required Mr. Dunn immediately to suspend its publication. He again refused to do this, and appealed to the Conference against the proceedings of the Committee. The Conference received the appeal, and appointed a Committee to hear it. But when that Committee met, Mr. Dunn declined to appear; requesting to be informed from the President, whether he was to consider himself as having incurred the penalty of suspension, *ipso facto*, by not having answered the questions of the Conference on another subject, on the preceding day. To this inquiry the President returned an answer in the negative. Still Mr. Dunn refused to attend the Committee; and as he thus declined to prosecute his appeal, the Conference unanimously resolved to confirm the proceedings of the District-Committee in his case.

VI.

Proceedings of the Conference in the Cases of the Rev. Messrs. Samuel Dunn and William Griffith, jun.

The Conference, after repeated inquiries and careful deliberation at various stages of its annual session, in reference to the cases of Mr. Samuel Dunn and Mr. William Griffith, jun., referred the same to a Special Committee, whose report, having been received and solemnly considered, was adopted as follows; viz.,—

It was stated, that certain questions were solemnly proposed

in the Conference by the President to Samuel Dunn and William Griffith, jun., which they contumaciously refused to answer. Yet, in conformity with the permission asked on their behalf, and granted to them by the Conference, these Brethren were allowed to appear before the Committee, for the purpose of stating anything which they might wish to say on the subject of their refusal to satisfy the Conference as to their innocence in the matter of the "Fly-Sheets." And besides being heard and conversed with at length upon that point, they were farther questioned and reasoned with, not only as to their past conduct, but also as to the security which they were prepared to give for their abstinence in future from the divisive and agitating measures which they have recently pursued. But nothing satisfactory was elicited. And their refusal to submit to the brotherly inquiry deemed by the Conference to be absolutely necessary for the explanation of their conduct in this business was peremptorily repeated.

The Committee, therefore, after the solemn and careful consideration of all the circumstances of each of these two cases, unanimously adopted the following conclusions:—

1. That the aggravated sin which has been committed in the Body by the repeated publication and avowed defence of the "Fly-Sheets," and the attempt which has been made to hide the authors and abettors of the evil under the veil of a concerted secrecy, have made it the imperative duty of the Conference to avail itself of its original, and constantly exercised, right of proposing such brotherly inquiries as it may deem necessary for its satisfaction, in reference to any of the Brethren against whom there appears to be a reasonable and sufficient ground of doubt or suspicion.

2. That the course which has for some time past been pursued by Samuel Dunn and William Griffith, jun., in their communications to the "Wesleyan Times,"—a paper notoriously hostile to the principles and interests of our Connexion,—and in the publication of the "Wesley Banner,"* as the organ of a small minority, avowedly designed, by means of appeals to the public, to "correct" the administration of Methodism,—thus attempting to supersede the authority of the District-Meetings and of the Conference, to which any alleged grievance ought to be referred; together with the general sympathy which has been manifested on their part with the spirit and objects of the "Fly-Sheets," have furnished ample evidence of their having been deeply committed to that criminal agitation by which the authors of the "Fly-Sheets" and the "Wesleyan Times," in particular, have so wickedly endeavoured to subvert the original principles of the

* Mr. Griffith, in his interview with the Committee, distinctly and spontaneously stated, that he was equally responsible with Mr. Dunn for the publication referred to.

Connexion ;—and that the Conference would therefore have been pre-eminently unfaithful both to them, and to its own solemn trust, if it had longer refrained, in these particular cases, from inquiries such as those to which they have been recently subjected.

3. That their declining, as they have done, to answer questions which were officially proposed to them in the Conference by the President, in a matter so gravely affecting their religious and ministerial character, involves a contumacy on their part utterly at variance with their own original and constantly repeated pledges of attachment to the discipline of the Connexion, and equally at variance with the law of Christ, and which cannot be tolerated or connived at without the utmost hazard to the purity as well as to the peace of the Body.

4. That, under these circumstances, the following are, in the judgment of this Committee, the only conditions on which the continuance of Samuel Dunn and William Griffith, jun., in connexion with the Conference can be properly or safely recommended, or any thing like justice can be done to the true merits of the case, and the interests of the Connexion :—

First.—That they be reprov'd from the Chair of the Conference, and be considered to be disqualified, at present, for being Circuit Superintendents.

Second.—That they fully satisfy the Conference, if not as to their recent conduct in the matters in question, yet, at least, as it respects the course they will pursue in future ; and that, for this purpose, they give to the Conference an absolute and unequivocal pledge of their resolution at once to discontinue their publication of the “ Wesley Banner,” and their encouragement of other hostile and offensive publications ; and that they also pledge themselves to abstain from taking part, directly or indirectly, in any agitating or divisive proceedings, which may be pursued by others, either as to recent acts of discipline, or as to the settled principles and laws of the Connexion.

5. That, failing these conditions, they leave the Conference no alternative but that each of them be forthwith put away from being a member of the Conference, or in connexion therewith.

A copy of the above Report was furnished to Mr. Dunn and Mr. Griffith respectively, and time was allowed them for the solemn and prayerful consideration which they were earnestly exhorted to give to a matter of so great importance.

By a joint letter to the President, which was read to the Conference at its next sitting, Mr. Dunn and Mr. Griffith stated that they were *not* prepared to submit to the conditions on which their continued connexion with the Conference was made to depend. The Conference thereupon resolved, (Mr. Bromley being the only dissentient,) that Mr. Samuel Dunn, having stated in a letter to

the President, that he is not prepared to submit to the conditions upon which the previous Resolution in his case admitted of his remaining in connexion with the Conference, he be now solemnly expelled, and put away from being a member of the Conference, or in connexion therewith. It was then declared by the President, that Mr. Samuel Dunn is accordingly expelled, and put away from being a member of the Conference, or in connexion therewith.

A similar Resolution was adopted, without a single dissentient, in the case of Mr. William Griffith, jun., who was also officially declared to be accordingly expelled, and put away from being a member of the Conference, or in connexion therewith.

Before the termination of its proceedings, the Conference unanimously adopted the following Resolution :—

Resolved, That the Conference most affectionately and gratefully acknowledges the exemplary Christian temper which its President, the Rev. Thomas Jackson, has uniformly exhibited amidst the labours and trying occurrences of its present sittings; the true principles of Methodism which he has so ably and faithfully expounded and maintained; the strict impartiality which he has observed in all cases; and the various other services which he has rendered. The Conference presents to him its unanimous and most cordial thanks, and renews the expression of its entire confidence in him; offering its prayers to Almighty God, that He may preserve His servant in health and peace, and grant him His special blessing in all the duties and engagements of the coming year.

In presenting this short series of Documents, it is impossible to refrain from the expression of an earnest hope, that the conclusions which have been arrived at, with remarkable and almost unexampled unanimity on the part of the Conference, will commend themselves to the approbation of all who calmly and deliberately consider them, and are concerned to promote the true interests of Methodism; and that the Ministers and people of our beloved Connexion, now that so many occasions of strife have ceased, will address themselves with new diligence and zeal, and with a more abundant blessing from on high, to their great, primary, and all-important work of spreading scriptural holiness throughout the land and throughout the world.

GENERAL DECLARATION OF METHODIST MINISTERS.

Q. XXXVIII. What Resolutions does the Conference adopt, with reference to the “DECLARATION” which has been circulated on the subject of certain “wicked and slanderous” publications?

A. 1. The Conference expresses its entire approval of the course which the Rev. George Osborn and other Ministers have

pursued, in reference to the Declaration which the Conference has permitted them to circulate for the purpose of obtaining the signatures thereto of such Wesleyan Ministers as may be disposed to give them ; and hereby presents its thanks to Mr. Osborn, and to the Brethren who have co-operated with him, for the important service which they have thus rendered to the Connexion.

2. The Conference declares, at the same time, its grateful satisfaction with the proof which is afforded, by more than eleven hundred signatures now attached to that document, of the fraternal and cordial union which, with comparatively few exceptions, still exists among the great body of Wesleyan Ministers.

3. The Conference directs that the Declaration, with the signatures appended, be printed in the Minutes of the Conference.

DECLARATION.

WE, the undersigned, agree to declare that we regard with indignation and abhorrence the anonymous attacks on the motives and character of our Brethren that have recently appeared in certain clandestine publications ; that we have never intentionally communicated with the authors of those publications with a view to afford information or assistance ; and that we will not allow their wicked slanders to detract from the esteem and confidence we feel toward those against whom such attacks are directed.

Abbott, Alfred
Abraham, Edward
Akerman, James
Akrill, Joseph
Aldis, James
Aldom, Isaac
Aldom, William O.
Alexander, John B.
Allen, James, 1st
Allen, James, 2d
Allen, James, 3d
Allen, Richard
Allen, Samuel
Allen, William, 1st
Allen, William, 2d
Allen, William, 3d
Allen, William, 4th
Allin, John
Alston, Nathaniel
Alton, George
Anderson, John
Andrew, Matthew
Andrews, Benj., LL.D.
Andrews, William
Anwyl, Edward
Appleby, William
Arnett, Thomas
Armason, Thomas
Armstrong, Joseph
Arthur, William
Ash, William
Ashton, Thomas
Aslin, John
Atherton, William
Atkinson, Samuel
Aubrey, Thomas
Avery, John G.
Bacon, William
Badcock, Robert G.
Baddeley, William
Baines, Thomas D.
Baker, James
Baker, Thomas
Baker, William, sen.

Baker, William, jun.
Bakewell, William H.
Ball, Joseph L.
Ballingall, Thomas
Balls, Henry
Bambridge, William H.
Banka, Henry
Barber, Aquila
Barker, Francis
Barlow, Luke
Barnley, George
Barr, John T.
Barr, Ninian
Barrett, Alfred
Barritt, John W.
Barrowclough, Jon.
Bartholomew, James
Bartley, John
Barton, William
Bate, James
Bate, Joseph
Bates, Jonathan J.
Batten, Thomas
Batten, William
Batty, Edward
Baylis, Edward
Beard, Samuel
Beckwith, James
Bedford, John
Beech, Hugh
Beech, John H.
Bell, John
Bersey, Thomas
Bestall, William S.
Bicknell, John
Binning, William
Binns, Joseph
Bird, William
Birley, George
Blasell, John
Blackett, James
Blackwell, John
Bleby, Henry
Blundell, William

Bolam, John
Bolas, Thomas
Bond, Robert
Bond, William
Bonner, Richard
Bonser, John
Booth, Henry J.
Booth, John
Booth, William O.
Bowers, Thos. S., B.A.
Bowes, Joseph
Bowman, John
Bowman, Samuel
Box, William
Boyd, John
Brailey, William
Brailsford, Willson
Bramford, Edward
Bramford, William
Bramley, John
Bramwell, John
Brandreth, John
Branston, Edward
Brice, Edward
Briggs, Frederick W.
Britton, Maurice
Broadbent, Samuel
Brocklehurst, James D.
Brocklehurst, Thos. H.
Brocklehurst, William
Brocksup, Samuel
Brooke, James
Brookes, Thomas
Brookhouse, Joseph
Broomfield, Robert W.
Brothwood, Thomas
Brown, Henry B.
Brown, John, 1st
Brown, John, 2d
Brown, Richard
Brown, Robert
Brown, Samuel, 1st
Brown, Samuel, 2d
Brown, Thomas

Browne, John R.
Browne, Josias F.
Brownell, James
Brumwell, Thomas
Bryant, Robert
Buckley, George
Budd, Peter
Bullivant, William J.
Bumstead, James
Bumstead, John
Bunting, William M.
Burgess, Abel
Burgess, Joseph
Burgess, William P.
Burrows, Thomas
Burt, William
Bustard, John
Butters, Uriah
Button, John W.
Bytheway, William
Cannell, John
Capp, Thomas
Carey, John D.
Carlton, William
Carr, James
Carter, Charles
Carter, Hugh
Carvosso, Benjamin
Cass, Robert
Casson, Hodgson
Castle, Henry
Catterick, Thomas
Catton, James
Chambers, John R.
Chambers, William
Chapman, Edward
Chapman, Joseph
Chapman, Richard
Chapman, George
Cheesewright, Joseph
Cheesman, Jarvis
Cheetham, Charles
Chettle, Henry H.
Chettle, John

Cheverton, Henry Y.	Dawson, William J.	Fitzgerald, Thomas M.	Harvie, William
Christophers, Sam. W.	Day, Robert	Fletcher, Adam	Hastling, Henry
Church, Henry L.	Deakin, David	Fletcher, John	Haswell, John P.
Clapham, James	Dean, Henry	Fletcher, Joseph	Hateley, Daniel
Clark, Paul	Denham, Thomas	Fletcher, Thomas	Hawksley, Robert J. T.
Clark, Thomas P.	Denison, Isaac	Flower, Thomas	Haworth, Robert
Clark, William F.	Dennis, William B.	Floyd, Joseph	Hawthorne, Charles
Clarkson, William H.	Denton, John	Ford, William	Hay, David
Clay, Charles	Dernaley, Abel	Foster, William	Hay, John
Clayton, Benjamin	Derry, Francis	Fowler, James	Haydon, Charles
Clegg, William, jun.	Dickin, Thomas	Fox, William, 1st	Hayes, Thomas
Clement, George	Dickinson, George	Fox, William, 2d	Hayman, Henry
Clendinnen, John C.	Dilks, Thomas T.	France, William	Healey, Samuel
Clough, Benjamin	Dixon, James, D.D.	Frank, Joseph	Heape, Richard
Clulow, John	Dixon, Myles C.	Frankland, Benjamin	Hearnshaw, John
Coates, John	Dixon, Seth	Frankland, Benj., jun.	Heaton, James
Coates, Walter	Dixon, William	Freeman, Ambrose	Heaton, Joseph
Cock, Sampson	Douglas, George	Garbutt, Thomas, 1st	Hebb, John
Cocking, Thomas	Dove, Thomas	Garbutt, Thomas, 2d	Hedges, James
Colbron, William	Dowty, John	Garrett, Joseph	Heeley, Thomas
Coley, Samuel	Drake, John	Gartside, Benjamin	Hellier, Benjamin
Collier, Francis	Dredge, John I.	Grach, Hender	Henley, William
Collier, James	Drewitt, William	Geden, John	Henwood, Oliver
Collier, John	Driver, George F.	Geden, John D.	Herbert, John
Collins, Thomas	Dugdale, Robert	Gent, Robert A.	Hesk, Thompson
Colman, Robert	Dunbar, James	Giles, Matthew	Hessel, William
Colwell, Charles	Duncan, Peter	Godden, James	Hetherington, John P.
Connon, John	Duncan, William G.	Godman, Matthew	Heya, Robert
Cooke, Corbett	Dunn, James P.	Golding, James	Heywood, Luke
Cooke, James, 1st	Dunn, Thomas	Goodwin, Josiah	Hickling, John
Cooke, James, 3d	Dyson, John B.	Goodwin, Thomas B.	Hicks, Henry
Cooke, John E.	Dyson, Robert	Gostick, John	Hickson, Thomas
Cooke, Robert	Eacott, James	Gover, Robert	Highfield, George
Cooke, Samuel	Earnshaw, Joseph	Goy, William D.	Hill, Thomas
Cooper, Peter	Eastwood, Thomas	Graham, Henry	Hill, Thomas H.
Cooper, Richard	Eaton, John	Gravel, David	Hill, William
Cornforth, David	Eckersley, Thomas	Green, Thomas	Hindson, James C.
Cornforth, William H.	Edgar, David	Greenwood, George	Hine, Henry
Cotton, John W.	Edgoose, Jesse	Greenwood, Richard	Hinson, William
Coulson, John E.	Edmunds, Frederick F.	Greeves, John W.	Hirst, John
Coultas, William	Edney, James	Gregory, Benjamin	Hirst, Joseph
Cousin, Michael	Edwards, Evan	Gregory, Benj., jun.	Hirst, William
Cox, John G.	Edwards, Thomas	Gregory, John	Hobill, George
Crabtree, Abraham	Edwards, William, 1st	Griffith, Morgan	Hobkirk, John
Crankshaw, J. W.	Edwards, William, 2d	Griffiths, David	Hobson, John
Cranswick, Matthew	Eglinton, John	Griffiths, Frederick	Hocken, Joshua
Cranswick, James M.	Elam, John	Grose, James	Hodgson, John
Crawshaw, John	Eland, Richard	Groves, Henry	Hodson, Thomas
Croft, George	Eland, Richard, jun.	Gulton, Philip	Holgate, Israel
Crofts, Edward	Elliott, George	Hagen, George	Hollis, Joseph
Crofts, John	Ellis, Robert S.	Hague, John	Holroyd, James B.
Croggon, Walter O.	Elton, William	Haigh, James S.	Homer, William
Crompton, Samuel	Elvins, Benjamin	Haigh, John	Hookey, Samuel
Crookes, William	England, John F.	Haigh, Samuel	Hope, Samuel
Crowe, John	English, William	Hales, William	Hopewell, James
Crowther, Jonathan	Entwisle, Joseph	Hall, John	Hopewell, William
Crump, Joseph	Etchells, James	Hall, Samuel R.	Hopkins, William
Culcheth, William	Etheridge, J. W., Ph. D.	Hannah, John, D.D.	Hornby, John
Cullen, John	Evans, David	Hannah, John, 2d	Horton, Edward
Curnock, George	Evans, John, 1st	Hanwell, John	Horton, P. C.
Curnock, Nehemiah	Evans, John, 2d	Hardey, Samuel	Horton, William
Currelly, Charles	Evans, Richard	Harding, Isaac	Hoskins, Pascho
Cusworth, Joseph	Evans, William	Harding, John	Howe, Charles
Dalby, William	Exell, Joseph	Harding, Richard	Huddleston, William
Daniels, Henry	Exley, William	Harding, Thomas	Hudson, Benjamin
Danks, John	Exton, William	Hardy, Richard	Hudson, Josiah
Davenport, William	Fairbourn, James P.	Hardy, Robert S.	Hughes, Evan
Davies, Evan	Farquhar, Daniel	Hardy, Thomas	Hughes, George
Davies, Henry	Farrar, Abraham E.	Hare, Robert H.	Hughes, Griffith
Davies, John W.	Farrar, John	Hargreaves, James	Hughes, Hugh
Davies, Samuel, 1st	Faulkner, James	Hargreaves, Joseph	Hughes, James
Davies, Samuel, 2d	Faull, John H.	Harley, William	Hughes, John
Davies, William, 1st	Featherstone, Peter	Harris, Thomas	Hughes, Lot
Davies, William, 2d	Felvus, John	Harrison, Thomas	Hughes, Rowland
Davies, William, 3d	Felvus, Richard	Hartle, James	Hughes, Thomas
Davis, John	Fice, Edwin	Hartley, John	Hughes, William
Davison, William	Fiddian, Samuel	Harvard, W. M., A. M.	Hugill, John
Dawson, John	Findley, James	Harvard, George C.	Hulme, Thomas
Dawson, John W.	Fish, Henry, M.A.	Harvard, Henry M.	Hume, Alexander
Dawson, Joseph B.	Fisher, James	Harvard, John	Hunt, Joseph
Dawson, William	Fison, Edward	Harvard, S. P.	Hurt, William

Hussey, Walter
 Hutton, Joseph
 Hyde, James
 Illingworth, William
 Imisson, John
 Ingham, Jabez
 Ingham, John
 Ingle, Timothy C.
 Inglis, Robert
 Ingram, William
 Jackson, Elijah
 Jackson, George
 Jackson, John
 Jackson, Robert
 Jackson, Samuel
 Jackson, Thomas
 Jackson, William, 1st
 Jackson, William, 2d
 Jackson, William, 3d
 James, Alexander T.
 James, John H.
 James, John P.
 James, Robert
 Jameson, Phillip
 Janion, Charles
 Jarrett, James
 Jefferies, Thomas
 Jeffery, Thomas
 Jenkins, Isaac
 Jenkins, John
 Jennings, Edward
 Jessop, William
 Jewell, Thomas
 Jewett, William
 Job, Zephaniah
 Jobson, Frederick J.
 John, Benjamin
 Johnson, Hugh
 Johnson, Michael
 Joll, John M.
 Jones, Daniel
 Jones, David
 Jones, Edward, 1st
 Jones, Edward, 2d
 Jones, Hugh
 Jones, Humphrey
 Jones, James, 1st
 Jones, James, 2d
 Jones, John, 1st
 Jones, John, 2d
 Jones, John, 3d
 Jones, John, 4th
 Jones, John Samuel
 Jones, John Spencer
 Jones, Joseph
 Jones, Lewis
 Jones, Robert, 1st
 Jones, Robert, 2d
 Jones, Samuel, M.A.
 Jones, Thomas, 1st
 Jones, Thomas, 2d
 Jones, Thomas R.
 Jones, Timothy
 Jones, William
 Jubb, Martin
 Julian, John D.
 Keeling, Francis S.
 Keeling, Isaac
 Keeling, Ralph R.
 Keet, Henry
 Keightley, John
 Keik, William
 Kemshall, Thomas
 Kendall, James, 1st
 Kendall, James, 2d
 Kent, Thomas
 Kershaw, John
 Keasen, Andrew, LL. D.
 Kevern, George
 Key, Thomas

Keysell, Thomas O.
 Keyworth, Robert
 Killick, John
 Kilner, Thomas
 King, Edward
 Kipling, Joseph
 Kirk, John, 1st
 Kirk, John, 2d
 Kirk, John M.
 Kirkland, Henry
 Knaggs, Edmond
 Knowles, John, 2d
 Lambert, John
 Lancaster, James
 Langley, Aaron
 Langridge, William
 Laughner, Henry
 Lawton, Joseph
 Laycock, James
 Leach, Thomas
 Leake, Robert
 Leale, George
 Lees, James
 Leigh, Samuel
 Lemmon, James
 Leppington, John C.
 Lesson, John
 Levell, William
 Lewis, Joseph
 Lewis, Lewis
 Lewis, Robert
 Lewis, William H.
 Lightwood, Edward
 Lilly, Isaac
 Lindley, William
 Little, James
 Livingston, John
 Llewellyn, Thomas
 Lloyd, John
 Locke, John
 Lockwood, John P.
 Lockyer, Alfred
 Lomas, John
 Lord, John H.
 Lord, William
 Loutit, James
 Lowthian, Joseph
 Lucas, Samuel, 1st
 Lucas, Samuel, 2d
 Luddington, John
 Lupton, William
 Lynch, James
 Lyon, Robert
 Lyth, John
 M'Aulay, Alexander
 M'Aulay, Samuel
 MacBrair, R. M., M.A.
 M'Cullagh, Thomas
 Macdonald, George B.
 M'Kenny, John
 M'Kitrick, William
 M'Lean, John
 M'Owan, John
 M'Owan, Peter
 Mainwaring, Robert
 Male, Matthew T.
 Mallinson, Matthew
 Main, John
 Mansie, Alexander
 Marsden, George
 Martin, John
 Martin, Richard
 Martin, Thomas
 Mather, George
 Maunder, George
 Maxwell, Robert
 Mayer, James
 Meadmore, James
 Mearns, William, M.A.
 Meek, Joseph

Mellor, George B.
 Merrill, Samuel
 Methley, James
 Midgley, Joseph
 Millar, Joseph
 Miller, James
 Milner, Joseph T.
 Mitchell, Benjamin G.
 Mitchell, James
 Molster, William
 Mole, James
 Mollard, John
 Monkhouse, Thomas S.
 Mood, Joseph
 Moody, John F.
 Moody, Richard
 Moore, John
 Moore, Roger
 Moorhouse, Joseph
 Morgan, David
 Morgan, Ebenezer
 Morgan, Elijah
 Morgan, John
 Morley, John T.
 Morris, John
 Morris, Seth
 Morris, Thomas
 Morrison, George T.
 Mortier, John
 Mortimer, Joseph
 Morton, Jacob
 Morton, Robert
 Moss, Thomas
 Mottram, Joshua
 Moulton, Ebenezer
 Moulton, James E.
 Mowat, James
 Mowat, William
 Moxon, Thomas
 Moxon, Timothy R.
 Muff, John I.
 Murray, Thomas
 Mycock, Josiah
 Nance, James
 Naylor, Dixon
 Naylor, William
 Neale, Francis
 Needle, Henry
 Nelson, John, 1st
 Nelson, John, 2d
 Nelson, William T.
 Newstead, Robert
 Newton, Christopher
 Newton, John
 Newton, Thomas
 Nicholson, John
 Nicholson, Joseph
 Nicklin, John
 Nightingale, Charles
 Nightingale, Thomas
 Noall, Simeon
 North, Charles
 North, George
 Norton, John H.
 Nowell, John, 1st
 Nowell, John, 2d
 Nye, Edward
 Odgers, James
 Officer, Joseph
 Oldfield, Edmund
 Olivier, Amice
 Ollard, Henry
 Oliver, Henry V.
 Orchard, Paul
 Orchard, Paul, jun.
 Osborn, George
 Osborn, James
 Osborne, Daniel
 Osborne, John
 Osborne, Thomas

Owen, Henry
 Owen, John
 Owen, Owen
 Owen, Robert
 Owens, William
 Oyston, George
 Padman, Thomas
 Page, Gregory A.
 Palmer, Jabez
 Parker, William
 Parkes, James
 Parkinson, William
 Parry, Evan
 Parry, John
 Parsons, Humphrey
 Parsons, John
 Parsons, Peter
 Parsonson, William
 Partridge, Reuben
 Paterson, George
 Payne, Frederick
 Payne, Joseph
 Payne, Thomas
 Pearce, Benjamin
 Pearce, John
 Pearson, John
 Pearson, John M.
 Pearson, Josiah
 Pearson, Thomas, 1st
 Pechey, Joseph
 Peck, William P.
 Pedley, Harry
 Pemberton, William
 Pengelly, John C.
 Pennington, Thomas
 Perks, George T.
 Petch, Richard
 Phenix, Isaac
 Phenix, Isaac, jun.
 Phillips, John
 Philp, John
 Pickavant, John
 Pickworth, Felix H.
 Piggett, John
 Piggett, William
 Pilcher, Jesse
 Pilley, James
 Pinder, Edward B.
 Pope, William B.
 Portrey, Joseph
 Posnet, Leonard
 Potts, Francis B.
 Powell, Thomas
 Powell, William, 1st
 Powell, William, 2d
 Powis, Henry
 Pratten, Joseph
 Prescott, Peter
 Prescott, Peter, jun.
 Pretty, Joseph
 Prichard, Richard
 Pridham, Nicholas C.
 Puddicombe, Alexander
 Pugh, Evan
 Pugh, Theophilus
 Putron, John de
 Quick, William A.
 Raby, John
 Radcliffe, Charles
 Radcliffe, William T.
 Radford, John
 Railton, Lancelot
 Randerson, John
 Ranson, Henry
 Rathbone, James
 Rattenbury, John
 Rawlings, Charles
 Rawson, John
 Ray, James
 Ray, Richard

Raynar, Joseph
 Rayner, Moses
 Rayner, Thomas A.
 Reece, Richard
 Rees, John
 Rees, Robert
 Relph, John
 Renier, John
 Rennard, Andrew
 RENNISON, William
 Reynolds, John, 1st
 Reynolds, John, 2d
 Richards, Evan
 Richards, John, 1st
 Richards, John L.
 Richardson, Thomas
 Ricketts, William
 Ridler, Christopher
 Ridsdale, John S.
 Rigby, Thomas
 Rigg, John
 Rigg, James H.
 Riley, Calverley
 Ritchie, Charles B.
 Roberts, Benjamin
 Roberts, James
 Roberts, John, 1st
 Roberts, John, 2d
 Roberts, John W.
 Roberts, Joseph, 1st
 Roberts, Richard
 Robin, Daniel
 Robinson, George
 Robinson, John
 Robinson, Samuel W.
 Robinson, Thomas
 Robson, William
 Rodham, Thomas M.
 Rodman, William
 Roebuck, George
 Rogers, John
 Rogers, Thomas
 Rogers, William R.
 Rogerson, Thomas
 Russell, John
 Rosser, James
 Rouch, William W.
 Rought, Jabez
 Rouse, Nathan
 Rowe, George
 Rowe, George H.
 Rowe, Samuel
 Rowe, Thomas
 Rowlands, William
 Rule, William H.
 Russell, Edward
 Russell, George
 Ryan, John, 1st
 Ryan, John, 2d
 Rymer, Richard
 Salt, Matthew
 Samuel, Peter
 Sanders, John L.
 Sanders, William
 Sanger, Joseph T.
 Sargent, William H.
 Saunders, John
 Savage, Thomas
 Scholes, James
 Scott, George, 1st
 Scott, George, 2d
 Scott, Uriah
 Seccombe, William
 Sedgwick, John
 Sergeant, Richard
 Shackleton, William
 Sharland, Peter
 Sharman, John
 Sharpe, William

Shaw, Thomas
 Shaw, William, 2d
 Sheers, Thomas
 Sheldon, Thomas
 Shelmerdine, William
 Shelton, Edward
 Sherwell, Robert
 Shipham, John
 Shipman, John
 Shoar, James
 Short, Thomas
 Shovelton, Wright
 Sibly, Nicholas
 Simmonite, Thomas
 Simmons, John
 Simmons, Samuel
 Simon, John
 Simpson, Samuel
 Simpson, William
 Skidmore, John
 Skidmore, William J.
 Slack, Benjamin
 Slater, Barnard
 Slater, William P.
 Sleep, William
 Sleigh, William
 Slight, Frederick
 Slugg, Thomas
 Smailes, Richard
 Smallwood, Henry
 Smart, John
 Smedley, John
 Smeeth, James
 Smith, George, 1st
 Smith, George, 3d
 Smith, Gervase
 Smith, John, 1st
 Smith, John, 2d
 Smith, Robert
 Smith, Thomas W.
 Smith, Thornley
 Smith, William, 1st
 Smithson, John
 Spenseley, Calvert
 Squance, Thomas H.
 Stamp, John S.
 Stamp, William W.
 Stanley, Jacob
 Stanley, Jacob, jun.
 Staton, Thomas
 Stead, Thomas
 Stephenson, John
 Stephenson, Thomas
 Stephenson, William B.
 Stepney, Richard
 Stevens, John
 Stevenson, Humphrey
 Stevinson, William
 Steward, George
 Stewart, William
 Stinson, Joseph
 Stirzaker, John
 Stokes, Edward
 Stokes, William
 Stokoe, Thomas
 Stott, James
 Stott, Ralph
 Strachan, Alexander
 Sturges, E. J.
 Sugden, James
 Sugden, William
 Sumner, Edward
 Sumner, John P.
 Sutch, James
 Sutcliffe, Joseph, M.A.
 Sutton, Joseph
 Swallow, William
 Sykes, Joseph
 Tabraham, Richard

Taft, Zachariah
 Talbot, Ebenezer R.
 Talbot, John
 Talbot, Theophilus
 Talboys, Thomas
 Tatham, Daniel S.
 Taylor, George
 Taylor, George C.
 Taylor, James
 Taylor, Michael C.
 Taylor, Samuel
 Taylor, William
 Taylor, William H.
 Thomas, Henry J.
 Thomas, James S.
 Thomas, John, 2d
 Thomas, John W.
 Thomas, Methuselah
 Thomas, William
 Thompson, Robert
 Thompson, Thos., M.A.
 Thorley, Edwin
 Thorneloe, William B.
 Thornton, Wm. L., M.A.
 Timms, Samuel
 Tindall, John
 Tindall, Samuel
 Toase, William
 Totherick, Robert
 Tourgis, Philip
 Tovey, Ebenezer
 Toyne, Elijah
 Tranmer, F. T.
 Tranter, William
 Trethewey, H. B.
 Triffitt, Anthony
 Trueman, Samuel
 Tucker, Charles
 Tucker, John
 Tucker, Joseph K.
 Turner, George, 1st
 Turner, George, 2d
 Turner, Thomas
 Turton, Charles G.
 Turton, Isaac
 Turvey, Jacob
 Tyack, William D.
 Tyerman, Luke
 Vanes, John
 Vasey, Thomas
 Vercoe, Walter
 Ververs, William
 Vibert, Charles
 Vigis, Everit
 Vine, John
 Waddy, Benjamin B.
 Waddy, Richard
 Waddy, Samuel D.
 Wade, Joshua
 Walker, Edward
 Walker, John
 Walker, Joseph
 Walker, Samuel
 Walker, Thomas
 Walker, Thomas H.
 Walker, Thomas J.
 Waller, James
 Walsh, John
 Walsh, Thomas H.
 Walter, John
 Walton, James
 Ward, Anthony
 Ward John, 1st
 Wardley, Samuel H.
 Warters, Edmund B.
 Waterhouse, Jabez B.
 Waterhouse, Levi
 Waterhouse, William
 Watson, Edward

Watson, John
 Watson, Joseph
 Wagh, Thomas
 Way, William
 Weatherstone, John
 Webb, Thomas
 Webb, William, 1st
 Wedlock, William
 Weir, Alexander T.
 Welborne, William
 Wesley, Samuel
 West, Daniel
 West, Francis A.
 West, Joseph B.
 Westlake, Charles
 Wetherell, John
 Wevill, John
 Wheeler, James
 Wheeler, Robert
 White, George F.
 Whitehead, Joseph
 Whittingham, J. B.
 Wilcox, Henry
 Wilde, Samuel
 Wilkinson, Henry
 Wilkinson, J. T.
 Wilkinson, Peter
 Wilkinson, Samuel, 2d
 Wilkinson, Thomas
 Wilkinson, William
 Willan, William
 Willcox, Robert M.
 Williams, Charles, 1st
 Williams, David
 Williams, Henry W.
 Williams, John
 Williams, Lewis
 Williams, Robert
 Williams, Thomas, 1st
 Williams, William, 2d
 Williams, William R.
 Willis, Charles
 Willis, John
 Wilson, James
 Wilson, J. Gilchrist
 Wilson, John, 1st
 Wilson, John G.
 Wilson, John W.
 Wilson, Joseph
 Wilson, Maximilian
 Wilson, Stephen
 Wilson, William, 1st
 Wilson, William, 3d
 Wilson, William, 4th
 Wilson, William, 5th
 Winterburn, William
 Wiseman, Luke H.
 Withington, Thomas
 Womersley, Joseph
 Wood, Benjamin
 Wood, John
 Wood, Joseph
 Wood, Robert
 Wood, Thomas
 Woodcock, Isaac
 Woodfin, Richard
 Woodrow, John
 Woolley, Frederick
 Woolmer, Charles E.
 Woolmer, Theophilus
 Woolsey, William
 Worker, William
 Workman, John S.
 Worth, William
 Yardley, Jabez
 Yeates, John T.
 Young, Henry
 Young, Robert
 Young, Samuel

The Brethren whose names are given below, decline (for various reasons) to affix their signatures; but the communications received on application to them all express, or clearly imply, a strong and earnest disapprobation of the publications referred to in the Declaration, or of anonymous slanders and libels generally. Several of them voluntarily add to the expression of their disapprobation an explicit statement that they have had no share in the authorship, or circulation, and have no knowledge of the authors, of the clandestine publications in question.

Banks, Matthew	Cox, Henry B.	Horton, William L.	Robson, William H.
Bell, Alexander	Firth, Benjamin	Johnson, John P.	Scurrah, Ralph
Blencowe, George	Fisher, Thomas R.	Jones, Robert, 3d	Shrewsbury, Wm. J.
Burton, John	Fowler, Philip	Kemp, John	Southern, George
Cadman, Jonathan	Gibson, Ralph	Lewis, John, 1st	Taylor, Charles
Calder, Frederick	Griffith, William	Marsland, George	Topham, James J.
Cattle, William	Hanson, John	Parke, John	Ward, John, 2d
Cheeswright, James	Hardcastle, Philip	Priestley, Joshua	Watmough, Abraham
Clarke, George	Haworth, Benjamin	Punshon, William M.	Williams, William, 1st
Cooke, James, 2d	Hocart, James	Richardson, Henry	Wood, Thomas S.

The following Brethren have not been invited to sign :—

Alder, Robert, D.D.	Cubitt, George	Newton, Robert, D.D.	Stead, Abraham
Beecham, John, D.D.	Fletcher, Joseph H.	Oram, Joseph	Sugden, Samuel
Bowers, John	Hart, Frederick	Potts, Charles B.	Walton, Daniel
Bunting, Jabez, D.D.	Hoole, Elijah	Prest, Charles	Williams, Charles, 2d
Close, John W.	Mason, John	Scott, John	

The following Brethren made statements equivalent to a signature during the sittings of Conference :—

Fielden, Joshua	Kay, Stephen	Learoyd, Amos	Rowland, Thomas
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MISCELLANEOUS RESOLUTIONS.

1. *Thanks to the late President and Secretary.* Resolved unanimously, (1.) That the cordial thanks of the Conference be affectionately presented to the late President, the Rev. Robert Newton, D.D., for the very able, judicious, and faithful manner in which he has fulfilled his important duties during the sittings of the last Conference, and through various circumstances of special and serious difficulty to the close of his year of office.

(2.) That the cordial thanks of the Conference be presented to the Rev. Joseph Fowler, for his able and faithful services as their late Secretary; and that Mr. Fowler be affectionately assured of their fraternal sympathy with him in the affliction which at present precludes his attendance at their sittings, and of their hopes and prayers for the speedy restoration of his health.

2. *Ex-President's Charge.* It was resolved unanimously, (1.) That the Conference feels it right to express its cordial concurrence in the unanimous and grateful thanks respectfully tendered by the newly-ordained Ministers to the late President, the Rev. Robert Newton, D.D., for the excellent and appropriate Charge which, in the course of his official duties, he delivered to them in the forenoon of Wednesday, August 1st: the Conference also unanimously concurs in their earnest request for its publication.

(2.) *Official Sermon.* It was resolved unanimously, That the cordial thanks of the Conference are specially due to the Rev.

Robert Newton, D.D., for the truly evangelical and impressive Sermon which, as the retiring President, he delivered before the assembled Ministers, on Monday, the 30th of July; and that he be very earnestly requested to prepare it for publication.

3. "*Watchman*" Newspaper. The Conference records its grateful sense of the services rendered by "*The Watchman*" Newspaper, during the course of nearly fifteen years, to the cause of religion, and especially of constitutional Methodism; and, while distinctly declining all responsibility for the political opinions of the paper, and without pledging itself for the correctness of every sentiment even in relation to Methodist affairs, which the Editor or his correspondents may from time to time, through so long a course of years, have expressed; yet must thankfully recognise it as supplying the want very generally acknowledged of a vehicle of Wesleyan intelligence and opinion, and as free from those grave objections to which other publications, professing to secure that object, have hitherto always been found liable; and recommends it accordingly to the support of our Societies and Friends.

4. "*Wesleyan Times*." It having been brought to the notice of the Conference that a certain Newspaper, published under the title of "*The Wesleyan Times*," has for some time past, and especially during the last few weeks, put forth—under the form of leading articles, letters from correspondents, and reports of Connexional proceedings—the foulest and most virulent slanders and falsehoods against the acts of the Conference and its functionaries in general; and of late against the personal and public character of the President of the Conference, and of the Rev. George Osborn, in particular;—

The Conference hereby expresses its serious and deliberate condemnation of the principles, tone, and spirit of the said Newspaper; and declares that no Wesleyan Minister can be a party, directly or indirectly, to the support of such a publication, without a gross betrayal of his solemn duty to the interests of Christianity in general, and of the Wesleyan Connexion in particular.

5. *Appropriation of the term "Wesleyan."* Resolved, That, in the judgment of the Conference, it is not desirable or right that Wesleyan Methodists should employ their distinctive title and denominational influence, except for purposes which have been recognised by the body, and which are in accordance with its established principles and rules.

6. *Financial District-Meetings.* The Special Services connected with the holding of the Financial District-Meetings in September last having been in many instances attended with a remarkable blessing, the Conference resolves, That, in connexion with the next Annual Financial District-Meetings, a day shall be set apart for the purpose of affording our Ministers an opportunity of conversing on the state of the Work of God, and of devising

the best means of promoting its revival and extension ; and for such Public Services as may be deemed expedient. The Chairmen shall give early notice of the time when the District-Meetings are to be held, in order that such arrangements may be made for the Quarterly Visitation of Classes, as will allow the attendance of as many of the Ministers in each District as practicable.

STANDING ORDERS.

1. *Annual Return of Members in Society.* The number of Members in Society, and of persons admitted on trial, as taken at the *March* Quarterly Visitation in each year, and faithfully reported, by a presentation of the Circuit-Schedules, at the District-Meetings, shall be the number returned on the Minutes of the following Conference.

2. *Liverpool Minutes.* Resolved, That the Resolutions adopted by the Conference in the year 1820, and usually called the Liverpool Minutes, besides being read and considered in every Annual Meeting of the District-Committees, as our standing Regulations require, shall also be read once a quarter at the Weekly Meeting of Ministers in each Circuit, next following each Quarterly Meeting ; and the Chairmen of Districts are directed to make inquiry concerning the due observance of this regulation.

3. *Rule of 1797 concerning Admission of Members.* Mistakes having occasionally arisen respecting the meaning of the Rule of 1797, on the subject of the admission of persons who are on trial as members of our Society, the Conference deems it necessary to repeat the statement, That it never was intended that the names of all those who are on trial should be laid before a Leaders'-Meeting for distinct and formal discussion ; but solely this, That if there be, in the opinion of a Leader, any reasonable objection to the character and conduct of any person who is on trial, such objection may be stated by him ; and that, if the validity of the objection be established to the satisfaction of the Meeting, a Member's Ticket shall not be given to the person, so objected to, at that Quarterly Visitation.

4. *Schedules and Circulars for Connexional Business.* As it is obviously desirable that the Committees appointed by the Conference to manage the several departments of the business of the Connexion, in the intervals of its session, should be furnished with as much statistical information as possible on the subjects of the matters of business severally confided to their care, the Conference authorises them, through their appointed Officers, to send, when they deem it expedient, suitable Circulars and Schedules to the Superintendents or to the Chairmen of Districts, as the case may require ; and directs the Superintendents and Chairmen duly to return such Schedules properly filled up.

5. *Reading of the Pastoral Address in Society-Meetings.* The Superintendents are directed to appoint a Special Society-Meeting

to be held, at each principal Chapel in their Circuits, either in the afternoon of the Lord's day, or on some convenient evening of the week, for the purpose of having the Pastoral Address read to the Society, and made the subject of suitable remarks and exhortations.

6. In order to bring the state and progress of the work of God in every Circuit distinctly and regularly under the examination of the District-Meetings, copies of the *Printed Circuit-Schedules*, duly filled up, shall be annually produced, examined, and considered. The Chairmen of Districts are made responsible for the execution of this order; and shall bring such Circuit-Schedules with them to the Conference, that they may be forthcoming if called for. (See also Minutes for 1831, Q. xxv., Vol. VII., p. 67.)

7. *Minor District-Meetings.* The following addition to the Rule of 1793, on the constitution of Minor District-Committees, is unanimously adopted by the Conference; viz.,—

That, in any case in which the Chairman of a District may deem it necessary to appoint a Minor District-Committee, should either party refuse or decline to choose two Ministers to act as members thereof, the Chairman is empowered and directed to nominate them, so that the number required by rule may be made up.

8. *Candidates for Admission on Trial.* Those Preachers who are recommended for admission on Trial shall preach in the presence of at least three of the Ministers of the District-Committee, (at or about the time of its Annual Meeting in May,) to be selected by the Chairman, (exclusively of the Superintendents by whom the Candidates respectively are proposed,) and a special report of their Sermons shall be made in the District-Meeting, and immediately forwarded in writing to the London Committee of Examination.

9. *District-Meetings of 1850.* It is resolved, that all the regular Annual Meetings of the several District-Committees shall be held between the 12th and 19th of May, 1850, with the exception of the Lincoln, the North Wales, and the Second South Wales.

10. *Preachers on Trial to have proper opportunities for receiving the Lord's Supper.* The Conference having been informed that in several Circuits the Preachers on Trial have very rarely an opportunity for receiving the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper, resolves, That, in compliance with a former injunction on this subject, the Superintendents be required to make the necessary arrangements in their Circuit-Plans, for securing to their junior Colleagues proper facilities for partaking of this holy Sacrament.

11. *District Minutes.* The Chairmen of Districts are peremptorily required to procure *three* complete copies of the Minutes of the several Annual and other Meetings of the District-Committees, duly signed by the Chairman and Secretary. One of these copies shall be inserted in the District-Records; a second shall be

reserved for the use of the Chairman and Financial Secretary at the Conference; and a third shall be delivered to the Sub-Secretaries, on the Wednesday preceding the Conference, and by them to the President during the first week of each Conference, to be preserved, under his direction, as a document appertaining to the Connexion. The several copies of the last class shall be written on foolscap paper, that they may be annually bound together in one volume.

12. The Superintendents of those Circuits in which the Conference may from year to year assemble, shall, with the previous approbation of the President, (as already required by rule,) complete and print, not later than the 15th day of June in each year, a Plan of the order of preaching in the principal chapels during the session of the Conference; and shall also, on or before the above date, inform every person whom they may have appointed to preach in those chapels, of the time and place of such appointment. And in order that the Plan thus prepared may not be violated, to the disappointment of our friends, and to the great inconvenience of other parties concerned, no Minister who attends the Conference shall be at liberty to make an engagement to preach in any other Circuit, either on the Sabbath, or on any other day, during the period appointed for the meeting of the Conference, or of its various Preparatory Committees, at the time for which his name shall be inserted on the Conference Plan.

13. The Chairmen of Districts are enjoined to make particular inquiries at their Annual Meetings in reference to all the points of Discipline specified in the first Article of the Answer to Q. xxviii., in our Minutes of 1825.

CONFERENCE OF 1850.

Q. XXXIX. When and where shall our NEXT CONFERENCE be held?

A. In London, commencing on Wednesday, July 31st, 1850, at Nine o'clock, A.M.

Signed in behalf and by order of the Conference,

THOMAS JACKSON, *President*,
JOHN HANNAH, *Secretary*.

Manchester, August 14th, 1849.

The PRESIDENT's address is *Richmond, Surrey*; and the SECRETARY's, *Didsbury, near Manchester*.

ORDER OF COMMITTEES FOR 1850.

The COMMITTEES preparatory to the next Conference are appointed to meet in London, as follows;—(subject, however, to any change of the particular order, days, or hours, here specified,

which the PRESIDENT, giving due notice to the parties concerned, may find it expedient to make;) viz.,—

1. *Stationing Committee*, Friday, July 19th, at nine A.M.
2. *Kingswood and Woodhouse-Grove Schools' Committee*, (p. 242,) Wednesday, July 24th, at five P.M.
3. *Contingent Fund and Children's Fund Committee*, (p. 254,) Thursday, July 25th, at nine A.M. and five P.M.
4. *Chapel Affairs, including Chapel-Fund, Chapel-Relief Fund, and Chapel-Building Committees*, (pp. 246, 247, 248,) Friday, July 26th, at nine A.M.
5. *Book Committee*, (p. 245,) Friday, July 26th, at five P.M.
6. *Auxiliary Fund Committee*, (p. 259,) Saturday, July 27th, at nine A.M.
7. *The Sabbath Committee*, (p. 272,) Saturday, July 27th, at three P.M.
8. *The Catechumen Committee*, (p. 271,) Saturday, July 27th, at five P.M.
9. *General Education Committee*, (pp. 268, 269,) Monday, July 29th, at nine A.M. and five P.M.
10. *Special Missionary Committee of Review*, (pp. 240, 241,) Tuesday, July 30th, at nine A.M.
11. *Annual Meetings of the Trustees of the two Institution-Houses*, Tuesday, July 30th, at three and four P.M.
12. *Theological Institution General Committee*, (p. 265,) Tuesday, July 30th, at five P.M.

N.B. 1. The Secretaries of the several Funds are directed to meet in London, on Wednesday, July 24th, for the purpose of preparing for their respective Committees the accounts of their several departments.

2. The Rev. Isaac Keeling, the Rev. John Farrar, and the Rev. William Barton, our Sub-Secretaries, are directed to attend at the same time, for the purpose of compiling from the District-Minutes various Lists, &c., which will facilitate the business of the Committees, and of the subsequent Conference.

3. The Chairmen of Districts are required to bring, or send, in time for the meeting of the Secretaries of the several Funds, on Wednesday, July 24th, perfect copies of the District-Minutes, and an account of the Numbers in Society in the several Circuits of their Districts, as taken at the March Visitation in 1850.

LIST OF GENERAL COLLECTIONS AND SUBSCRIPTIONS FOR 1849-50.

THE following are the usual and regular Collections which are to be made in all our Circuits during the ensuing year; viz.,—

1. The private Donations in the Classes, on behalf of the Worn-out Ministers' and Ministers' Widows' Auxiliary Fund, shall be entered in the Class-Books at the next September Visitation, and collected in the month of October. (See Q. xxv., A. 2, p. 260, of these Minutes.)

2. The Private Subscriptions and Public Collections for the Kingswood and Woodhouse-Grove Schools, &c., are to be made in the *early* part of the month of November, 1849; and the amount should be immediately remitted to the Rev. Charles Prest, (whose address is, 11, *Storey-Street, Hull*,) one of the General Treasurers for the School-Fund, according to the directions given under Q. xii., pp. 243, 244, of these Minutes. *It is particularly requested, that all Bankers' Bills may be drawn payable on some Bank in London, and not in Hull.*

3. The Annual Subscriptions, due January 1st, and occasional Donations, for the Wesleyan Theological Institution, are to be solicited in every Circuit in the first or second week of January, 1850; and *forthwith* remitted to the Rev. John Farrar, at the *Wesleyan Theological Institution, Richmond, Surrey.*

4. The Annual Private Subscriptions and Public Collections for the United Chapel and Wesleyan Education General Fund are to be made in the month of February, 1850; and the whole amount should be immediately remitted to Messrs. Marriott and Wood, *Bloomsbury, Oxford-Road, Manchester*, who will pay the Moiety thereof, as now required by the recent Rule, to the Treasurers of the Education Fund.

5. The Yearly Collection in all the Classes is to be made, as usual, at the March Visitation, and the money to be paid at the District-Meetings in May.

6. The Private Subscriptions for the Mission-Fund are to be received in all our Circuits, either weekly, monthly, quarterly, or annually, as is most convenient to the Subscribers. The annual Public Collections for that Fund are to be made in all our Chapels, and other preaching-places, at the time of the Anniversaries of the several Auxiliary or Branch Societies; or, where no Public Meetings of that kind are held, in the month of May. The money so raised must be remitted, *through the hands of the District-Treasurers*, to Thomas Farmer, Esq., and the Rev. John Scott, the General Treasurers, whose address is, *Wesleyan Centenary Hall, Bishopsgate-Street within, London.*

7. The Private Subscriptions for the Auxiliary Worn-out Ministers' and Widows' Fund are to be solicited in the first week

of June, 1850, and a list of Subscriptions sent to the Secretary, not later than the 30th of that month. (See Q. xxvii., p. 262, of these Minutes.) The money is to be paid on or before the first day of the Conference to the Financial Secretary of the District, and by him to Messrs. Chappell and Scott, the Treasurers.

8. The Collection in aid of the Contingent Fund, for the support and spread of the Gospel in *Great Britain and Ireland*, is to be made in all our chapels and preaching-places, *not later than the second Sunday in July, 1850*; and the money is to be paid, *on or before the first day of the Conference*, to the Financial Secretaries of each District respectively, and by them to the Treasurers of the Contingent Fund, Messrs. Vickers and Cusworth.

THE ANNUAL ADDRESS OF THE CONFERENCE TO THE METHODIST SOCIETIES.

DEARLY BELOVED BRETHREN,

THE circumstances in which we address you supply abundant motives for gratitude to Almighty God, and for encouragement in the prosecution of the services which He has severally allotted to us. Not only can we report a more than usually large accession of members to the Societies, both at home and abroad, under the care of the British Conference; but we trust that, notwithstanding a few partial exceptions, we have also ground to rejoice in an increase of unfeigned Christian godliness, of the "faith, hope, and charity" which "abide" in all ages as the true principles of the Christian life. When we review the proceedings of the past year, and attempt to form a just estimate of the kindly and reviving influence which discovers itself in many places, we feel that we are again incited to imitate the conduct of Samuel, who "took a stone, and set it between Mizpeh and Shen, and called the name of it Eben-ezer, saying, Hitherto hath the LORD helped us."

Permit us, in these favourable circumstances, to address you in a strain of affectionate and thankful congratulation. Evils do indeed surround us,—perils of various kinds threaten,—difficulties, in not a few instances, beset our path; and all these require "the word of" faithful "exhortation." But "who is he that will harm you, if ye be followers of that which is good?" "The God of heaven, He will prosper us," while we simply aim at the erection of His spiritual temple, and the advancement of His glory in the Gospel of His Son. He has favoured us with tokens of His presence and grace, which we would employ as arguments for a more cheerful and unreserved dedication of ourselves to Him and His cause, knowing that "the mercies of God," which we would always own and record, yield the most persuasive motives to a joyous obedience. Receive our paternal counsels in the spirit of

gratitude and love; accept the "words of peace and truth" which we now send you; and unite with us in the expectation of a yet more copious and diffusive blessing from above. May "the beauty of the LORD our God be upon us!"

Can we sufficiently remind you, dear brethren, of the importance of keeping the great scheme of the Christian Salvation continually before your eyes? "For by grace are ye saved through faith." Grace is the source, the one, entire perpetual source, of all the blessings which man's salvation comprises; and Faith, faith in our Lord Jesus Christ, the faith which constantly and fully relies on the Great Propitiation which He made for us upon the cross, is the sole condition on which all those blessings are attained. Cherish an habitual sense of your own unworthiness in the sight of God. Seek an increase of humility and contrition, poverty of spirit and self-abasement. Feel and confess your entire dependence on the mercy of God in Christ Jesus. But remember that "He giveth more grace." Repair to Him. Own the fulness and sufficiency of our Lord's atoning merits. Rely on His all-prevalent mediation for every gift which you need; and patiently pursue your course, "looking unto Jesus the Author and Finisher of our faith." "These things," says St. John, "write I unto you, that ye sin not. And if any man sin, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous: and He is the propitiation for our sins." Rest in that propitiation,—rest in it always,—rest in it for every blessing of pardon, renovation, and peace. And let your "faith work by love." Aspire after richer manifestations of the love of God in Christ to you,—and pray that "your love," as created and sustained by His, "may abound yet more and more in knowledge and in all judgment." Cultivate the principle of Divine love,—that principle which expels all that is contrary to its own nature, and assimilates the spirit of man to itself.

But to cultivate this principle successfully, attend to all the appointed means of grace and spiritual improvement, in reliance on that most blessed SPIRIT who "helpeth our infirmities." Let us ever acknowledge, with reverential gratitude, the offices and agency of the Divine Comforter. Let us cheer ourselves with thoughts of His power and benignity;—remembering the great promise which belongs to the evangelical dispensation. Pray for the more plentiful visitations from on high. Use them, when vouchsafed. Yet, waiting for those richer baptisms of grace, "grieve not the Holy Spirit of God" by undervaluing His present gifts; but listen to the gentlest whispers of His voice.

None of the means of grace would we overlook or disregard;—and if we now select one in particular, one which is inseparably connected with all the rest, it is because we feel its importance and necessity in these present times. Assiduously study the Holy Scriptures. Has God imparted to us His own Word, that

Word which is “for ever settled in heaven?” Is that Word, as we thankfully believe and acknowledge, of sole and sufficient authority in all things pertaining to man’s salvation? Is it the instrument of our regeneration, and the aliment of our subsequent spiritual growth? Is it the Word which God’s people in all ages have regarded with intense esteem? and shall not we delight in it? Read that Word with regular and devout attention. Select portions of it for your daily meditation. Prize the exposition and application of it, whether from the pulpit, or in the course of more private instruction. Seize opportunities of conversing upon it in seasons of friendly intercourse. “These words,” said Moses, “which I command thee this day, *shall be in thine heart*: and thou *shalt teach them diligently unto thy children*, and shalt talk of them when thou *sittest in thine house*, and when thou *walkest by the way*, and when thou *liest down*, and when thou *risest up*.” Do you seek instruction? “I have more understanding,” says the Psalmist, “than all my teachers; for Thy testimonies are my meditation. I understand more than the ancients, because I keep Thy precepts.” Do you seek quickening grace? “This is my comfort in my affliction: for Thy word hath quickened me.” Do you covet stability? It is said of the righteous, “The law of his God is in his heart: none of his steps shall slide.” Strive that you also may be “nourished up in the words of faith and of good doctrine.” Mix faith with all that you read and hear. When you raise your hearts to God in ejaculatory prayer,—when you retire into your closets, and pray to your Father who is in secret,—when you assemble round your domestic altars at the hours of the morning and evening sacrifice,—when you engage in your social devotions,—or when you unite in the offices and acts of prayer and praise with the great congregation, let it be your aim and effort to renew your faith in our Lord’s atonement and intercession, and “come unto God by Him.” When you join in meetings for prayer and Christian fellowship, when you commemorate our Lord’s death in the Holy Eucharist, when you occupy yourselves in the other ordinances of the Lord’s sanctuary, let it be your object to maintain a simple and sincere faith, a child-like trust, a child-like resignation of yourselves into the hands of your God and Saviour. “I will cry unto God most high; unto God that performeth all things for me.”

While the religion of Divine love is thus fostered in the heart by the use of the Lord’s appointed ordinances, let it be protected against all that is adverse to it, and destructive of its very nature. Allow us, dear brethren, earnestly to urge the avoidance of evil-surmisings, strife, and contention; and the cultivation of mutual charity. “Endeavour,” or, as the Apostle’s own word beautifully suggests, “hasten,”—do not delay,—be prompt,—“to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.” “Now I beseech you,

brethren," says St. Paul, in language which eminently claims our attention, "mark them which cause divisions and offences, contrary to the doctrine which ye have learned; and avoid them." Avoid intercourse with such. Partake not of their spirit. Adopt not their maxims. Walk not in their ways. Think not evil of others. If any have injured you, pray for them. "Be not overcome of evil; but overcome evil with good." Receive not, entertain not, evil reports. "When ye stand praying, forgive, if ye have aught against any." Be deeply impressed with a sense of the evils which attend all surmisings, suspicions, enmities, hatred. Consider how directly all these stand opposed to your Christian profession,—and, in your avoidance of them, "walk in love, as Christ also hath loved us, and hath given Himself for us an offering and a sacrifice to God for a sweet-smelling savour."

At this season especially, and in the further pursuance of our practical admonitions, we deem it our imperative duty to warn you against that prevailing love of Mammon, and its manifold gratifications, to which you are exposed from so many quarters. When St. John addresses the several classes of Christian believers as "little children," "young men," and "fathers,"—whom he twice names under these significant appellations,—it is observable that he says to them all, as thus summoned together, admonishing them of a danger to which they were all exposed,—"Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him."—Is it possible that Christians who addict themselves to the study of God's most holy Word, and who profess to follow it as a rule of life, should forget its frequent and impressive admonitions on this subject?—admonitions on which the history of many individuals in our day might furnish an affecting comment. "Labour not to be rich: cease from thine own wisdom."—"He that maketh haste to be rich shall not be innocent."—"An inheritance may be gotten hastily at the beginning; but the end thereof shall not be blessed."—"He that is greedy of gain troubleth his own house."—"Godliness with contentment is great gain. For we brought nothing into this world, and it is certain we can carry nothing out. And having food and raiment, let us be therewith content. But they that *will* be rich fall into temptation and a snare, and into many foolish and hurtful lusts, which drown men in destruction and perdition. For the love of money is the root of all evil; which while some coveted after, they have erred from the faith, and pierced themselves through with many sorrows." Who has not heard of "the deceitfulness of riches?" Who has not acknowledged it in the case of others?—When you are invited to engage in speculation, or in any enterprise which promises a speedy and large return of capital, seriously ask yourselves what motive prompts you to comply. Is it a disposition—or a determination—

to be rich? Is it *hasting* to be rich beyond the ordinary means which Providence may please to appoint? Beware! When the evil is once admitted into the heart, who can tell how far, and how fatally, it may spread? "Let your conversation," then, "be without covetousness; and be content with such things as ye have: for He hath said, I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee."—"Trust in the LORD, and do good; so shalt thou dwell in the land, and verily thou shalt be fed."

That agencies of error and mischief are stimulated to new effort, amid the unparalleled events of our day, cannot excite surprise. But our beloved flocks will safely rely on the great principles to which they and we are in common pledged. Other conflicts have passed by;—and, in reference to many a trial, we may venture to apply the word of prophecy,—“This is as the waters of Noah unto Me: for as I have sworn that the waters of Noah should no more go over the earth, so have I sworn that I would not be wroth with thee, nor rebuke thee. For the mountains shall depart, and the hills be removed; but My kindness shall not depart from thee, neither shall the covenant of My peace be removed, saith the LORD that hath mercy on thee.” The “windy storm and tempest” may rage with yet greater fury: but our Lord will “hide” us “in His pavilion: in the secret of His tabernacle shall he hide” us; “He shall set” us “upon a rock.” If ready to faint or doubt, let us ponder those words of amazing condescension,—the rebukes of lingering love,—“I remember thee, the kindness of thy youth, the love of thine espousals, when thou wentest after Me in the wilderness, in a land that was not sown. Israel was holiness unto the LORD, and the first-fruits of His increase.” “O My people, what have I done unto thee? and wherein have I wearied thee? testify against Me. For I brought thee up out of the land of Egypt, and redeemed thee out of the house of servants; and I sent before thee Moses, Aaron, and Miriam. O My people, remember now what Balak King of Moab consulted, and what Balaam the son of Beor answered him from Shittim unto Gilgal; that ye may know the righteousness of the LORD.”

With wondering gratitude we own that our God has not “wearied” us;—that, instead of “testifying against” Him, we have ten thousand acknowledgments to offer for His unexhausted mercy. But what returns have we made to our great Benefactor? With what fruit are we requiting His most gracious culture?—Suffer us to amplify these inquiries.

Are we cherishing a spirit of earnest, daily, prayerful self-examination? Do we retain, in any adequate measure, the fervour, love, and simplicity of our early Christian life? Is our faith strengthened by continual exercise? Are we acquiring a clearer knowledge of Satan’s devices, and a more decisive victory over those especially by which we were formerly overcome? Are our

hours of secret prayer more highly prized than they *were* twelve months ago? As we come nearer and nearer to eternity, do we feel the attractions of our heavenly home increasing? Does this lively hope awaken us to seek a riper preparation for our future bliss? Are we closely following the Saviour, studying His example, and arming ourselves with the same mind? Is it our strife to exemplify all social and domestic virtues,—to maintain a steady and undimmed witness for God in our neighbourhoods,—to contribute to the religious influence of our church and nation,—in all things to “yield ourselves unto God, as those who are alive from the dead?”

With a view to the greater power and glory of Zion, as well as to the safety and peace of many for whom we tenderly care, we ask your prayers and special efforts in behalf of those members of Society who have not yet so believed “with the heart unto righteousness,” as to realise the Divine witness of acceptance through Christ. That some who decline to use language which we deem purely scriptural, and therefore of incomparable excellence, do yet enjoy in blessed measure the comfort of the Holy Ghost, we are most willing to believe;—and that many timid and drooping souls are entitled to much sympathy and encouragement, we would never forget. To such we would “speak comfortably,” while we implore them to look for a brightening assurance that their “warfare is accomplished,” that their “iniquity is pardoned.” But let not Methodists,—let not the children of Methodists, whose infant-lips have uttered the language of our ancient and deeply-evangelical theology, and to whom the testimony of a clear religious experience has been endeared and hallowed by associations never to be forgotten,—in a word, let not *any* class among our dear people,—rest satisfied until God shall “send forth the Spirit of His Son into” their “hearts, crying, Abba, Father.”

To the young we turn with emotions which words fail to express. It is our joy to mark, among our present encouragements, a quickened attention to the momentous subject of CHRISTIAN EDUCATION. Having long known that the Holy Spirit prepares the opening mind for our first instructions, and that early religion promises to tinge all subsequent life with its own beauty and blessedness,—we cannot but rejoice to hear of *twenty-one thousand Catechumens*, and of *nineteen hundred young persons* who have already passed from these interesting classes into closer fellowship with us. Our Day-School Movement also, viewed in a like sacred aspect, claims your liberal co-operation. We do not forget that the pastoral crook is committed to our hands, to be extended to the “lambs,” as well as to the “sheep,” of the Redeemer’s flock; and *you* will greatly animate us by manifesting a general sympathy in those more public enterprises to which we are willingly pledged.

For thousands who have been "dedicated" to Christ "by our office and ministry," we cherish a lively and prayerful interest. Unspeakable personal advantages are the crown of early consecration. This is the prelude to honours that cannot wither: it is promotive of eminent attainments in the Divine life, of stability in the Christian profession, and of deep acquaintance with the things of God: it yields, moreover, the utmost promise of good to unborn generations. How have we been reminded, in this annual meeting, of not a few who appeared but recently among the luminaries of our Israel, but whom we see no more! They are not *quenched* in death, but removed to a brighter firmament to shine for ever and ever. Their memory lives; and if the record of God's grace in them serve to light up in others the promise of kindred excellence, earth and heaven will rejoice. To this worthy end let all domestic and all academical education be directed. If the young be not trained for God, our "candlestick" will be "removed out of his place." History may preserve our name; but, instead of living churches, a future generation will find sepulchral memorials of glory departed. The institutions of charity, the revival of religion, and the consolations of peace, will then be transitory, like human life. But, by the blessing of God, these sad presages shall not be fulfilled. God shall bless us in this, as in our other spheres of labour. Let parents, guardians, and Pastors, go on in devout hope scattering the seed of truth. Many of them are already more than recompensed for their patient toil. "Lift up your eyes, and look on the fields; for they are white already to harvest. And he that reapeth receiveth wages, and gathereth fruit unto life eternal: that both he that soweth and he that reapeth may rejoice together."

Two or three other classes we commend, briefly yet most earnestly, to your care. First of all may be here specified the multitudes of hearers in our congregations, more or less attached to our forms of worship, who have not yet availed themselves of the privilege of church-membership. They hope for admission to the family above, while with lamentable inconsistency they forego the blessedness of union with the family below. If all acted as *they* act, it is obvious that Christ would have no church on earth. Let us hasten to warn them of their loss and danger; to remind them that communion is the visible token of love to our Master, and to those who bear His image. We may not be silent, moreover, as to the *obligation*—one full of mercy and of privilege, yet still the *commanding obligation*—of Christian fellowship. This is beyond question implied in the establishment of a church, and in the recorded practice of the first Christians;—and no less in the Scriptures which require separation from the world, in those which assume our *profession* of a common faith, and in those which enforce the duties of church-members. "By this very union,"

writes Mr. Wesley to one whom he evidently viewed with more than common interest, "is the whole (external) work of God upheld throughout the nation; besides all the spiritual good which accrues to each member. O! delay no longer, for the sake of the work, for the sake of the world, for the sake of your brethren. Join them inwardly and outwardly, heart and hand, for the sake of your own soul. There is something not easily explained in the fellowship of the Spirit, which we enjoy with a society of living Christians." We venture to hope, that henceforth the families of Methodism will be more closely united, in respect of church-fellowship; and that our dear young friends will gratefully admit the strong and affecting claims of that communion in which their fathers have answered, or are now answering, the highest ends of living.

To the poor and the afflicted, the fainting and the backslider, your active sympathy has been often guided. Let us entreat you to abound in this work of the Lord. Aim, indeed, at eminent usefulness. A single Christian family may bless an entire neighbourhood. "Ye are the light" even "of the world." Seek to spread, more and more widely, the healing beams. Remember, especially, the myriads of EMIGRANTS who have in late years left our shores: help them by your prayers; pursue them, as opportunity serves, by Christian correspondence; affectionately charge them to spread the common Saviour's praise in the ends of the earth. Thus shall God be glorified, no less when He takes away than when He gives.

Shall we repeat the cautions, more than once before given, against everything that infringes the decorum of our public worship, and the sanctity of the Sabbath? These subjects bear at once on your own spiritual life, and on the progress and power of our community. It could not, surely, be necessary to warn our flocks against the prevailing modes of Sabbath-profanation, but that the enormous evil has assumed a front of the utmost boldness, and the guise of humanity itself. HE who "knoweth our frame, and" compassionately "remembereth that we are dust," blends needful admonition with reviving promises, and most significantly says, "If thou turn away thy foot from the Sabbath, from doing thy pleasure on My holy day; and call the Sabbath a delight, the holy of the LORD, honourable; and shalt honour Him, not doing thine own ways, nor finding thine own pleasure, nor speaking thine own words: then shalt thou delight thyself in the LORD; and I will cause thee to ride upon the high places of the earth, and feed thee with the heritage of Jacob thy father: for the mouth of the LORD hath spoken it." Let us all, from the least to the greatest, strive in every way to promote the better sanctification of the LORD'S OWN DAY,—to guard its honour and vindicate its claims.

Your assembled Pastors cannot close their Address without

referring to those public occurrences which have shaken many nations. Not that we now attempt a review of European affairs, or a sketch of the prospects opening to Christendom and to the world. Yet we will acknowledge God in the control of all passing events, and specifically in the tranquillity of our beloved country,—in her dignity and influence, largely augmented by the contrast of many troubled realms,—in the dissolving of that fascination which has for ages held the fairest Continental lands in bonds to tyrannous error,—and in manifold openings for Christian effort, near and remote. Let us seize the fleeting opportunity. Cannot we do more, inasmuch as “the day is far spent,” in aid of those who are sending forth the messengers of reconciliation to the Heathen, and of those who are issuing the pure Word in one hundred and fifty languages?—in aid of those, also, who are casting an eye of pity on the long-disinherited Jews, and of those who are caring for the prisoners and captives?

Honour God, beloved, by magnifying His own institutions. Let nothing detract from your estimate of CHRIST’S GOSPEL, and of the DISPENSATION of the SPIRIT. We look, indeed, for that “blessed hope” which has for eighteen hundred years attracted the longing eyes of the church,—“that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of Him who is the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ.” “Surely,” says He whom our souls love, “I come quickly;” and the warning voice tells us of the brevity of time, of the certainty of our Lord’s second advent, and of the nearness of our own individual account. But we hesitate to accept any theory which tends to discourage Christian exertion, to postpone the hope of the world’s salvation, or to impair our confidence in the universal power of the Gospel,—applied by “the Holy Ghost, the Lord and Giver of life, proceeding from the Father and the Son, who, with the Father and the Son together, is worshipped and glorified, who spake by the Prophets.” Let the Spirit be poured, in His promised “floods” of blessing, from on high; and “the wilderness,” in all its extended wastes, shall “be a fruitful field, and the fruitful field be counted for a forest.”

You will rejoice to hear that our present session has been blessed with more than ordinary influences from above. Amid some painful excitements, we have felt how glorious is the place which is hallowed by our MASTER’S presence. His own institution of Discipline for the church, HE still blesses. It has been found needful, in this as in some former periods, to contend earnestly with the disturbers of our unity, for the sake of subsequent, and, we devoutly hope, lasting, tranquillity. Even thus, we are persuaded, “the Lord of peace Himself” will “give us peace,”—yea, “always by all means.”

With anxious, solemn, and prayerful deliberation, the Conference have proceeded to certain measures which, in their almost

unanimous judgment, recent circumstances imperatively demand. That your future review will sustain this judgment we cannot doubt. Your Christian temper and spirit, and especially your love of godly quietness, we truly appreciate. The fathers and leaders of our people have long known that "where envying and strife is, there is confusion and every evil work;" and that "the wisdom that is from above," while "*first* PURE," is "then peaceable, gentle, and easy to be entreated, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality, and without hypocrisy. And the fruit of righteousness is sown in peace of them that make peace." You will estimate that reverence for the word of God which, far from spending itself in noisy professions, leads to practical obedience. Think, also, of our care for the flock of God,—of our pastoral anxiety for the lambs and the sheep committed to our charge. These we must "feed," and, "taking the oversight thereof," must strive to guard from evil and danger,—as we hope, "when the chief Shepherd shall appear," to "receive a crown of glory that fadeth not away." With a view to this, the hoary age and the active zeal of this body have combined in maintaining our righteous economy. Forbearance and tenderness have been shown to the utmost limit that allegiance to our common cause permits. But freedom of mutual *ministerial* inquiry must be maintained, or we must consent to the abandonment of all our distinctive Discipline. You will aid us, our beloved friends, in guarding against such a calamity, and in "following after the things which make for peace, and things wherewith one may edify another."

From a conviction that the policy of our unseen foe is now applied with a view to dishearten spiritual communities, we the rather refer to the tokens for good which gladden our own and other tribes of the ONE ISRAEL OF GOD. Most welcome to us are the indications of growing Christian union; and we pray that all believers "may be" visibly and thus influentially "one," as the Father is in Christ, and Christ in the Father. Yet joy and hope are chastened, as well by an abiding sense of our utter unworthiness and unprofitableness, as now also by the visitations of a rod which has afflicted many other lands, and which now descends on our own. Let us hasten to confess our sin, and the sin of our people. "Turn" we to the Lord "with all our heart, and with fasting, and with weeping, and with mourning: and rend" we our "heart, and not our garments, and turn unto the Lord our God: for He is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and of great kindness, and repenteth Him of the evil. Who knoweth if He will return and repent, and leave a blessing behind Him?" Even so, Amen. "When Thy judgments are in the earth," may the people "learn righteousness!" And may we all be found ready for each event! While on earth, may we and our dear people be yet citizens of heaven,—“from whence also we look for

the Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ; who shall change our vile body, that it may be fashioned like unto His glorious body, according to the working whereby He is able even to subdue all things unto Himself." "Therefore," and until He shall bid us come up higher, our "brethren dearly beloved and longed for," our "joy and crown, so stand fast in the Lord," our "dearly beloved."

Signed on behalf and by order of the Conference,

THOMAS JACKSON, *President*,
JOHN HANNAH, *Secretary*.

Manchester, August 13th, 1849.

THE ANNUAL ADDRESS OF THE IRISH CONFERENCE TO THE BRITISH CONFERENCE.

VERY DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN,

AFTER a year of mercy and of judgment, we are enabled, through the power and providence of God, to assemble in peace in our Annual Conference, to join in prayer and praise with solemn and hallowed feelings, and to unite in fraternal deliberation with a delightful persuasion of the *presence*, and an earnest desire for the *guidance*, of the great Head of the church.

We embrace the opportunity thus presented, to tender to you the cordial and unanimous expression of our respect and brotherly love.

Our gratitude to the Divine Ruler of nations for public quiet and security was especially excited during the reading of your instructive and consolatory reply to our last Address, in which you refer to the alarming state of our country at that crisis, and the uncertainty hanging over the circumstances of our next Annual Meeting: *then* our Representatives hastened from you to join their families, under the most painful anxiety as to the issue, in relation to them, of the reported outburst of rebellion; *now* we and they adore Him "which stilleth the noise of the seas, the noise of their waves, and the tumult of the people."

You will believe that our sense of your generous kindness and affectionate sympathy always insures our most respectful attention to the wise counsels and warm sentiments of regard from year to year expressed by you; but your answer, now read, claims particular acknowledgment, suggesting as it does, in the pertinence of its topics, and the kindliness of its tone, how fully and cordially our interests and our difficulties are in your minds and upon your hearts. We *are* cheered at this fresh indication of the strength of that Connexional affection by which we are bound together, not only historically, doctrinally, and ecclesiastically, but with a vital union of reciprocal love, and as both pursuing one object,—the glory of the Redeemer in the salvation of men; and if this,

our single purpose, is, instrumentally, promoted by *us* in Ireland upon its present scale, it is owing, in a very important sense, under our common Lord, to *your* practical kindness.

We look upon it as a remarkable instance of the care of Him "in whose hand our breath is," that, amidst prevailing disease and death, not one engaged in the full work of the ministry has been called away during the year.

Two of our venerated Fathers, whose names stood on our supernumerary list, each at the advanced age of eighty-two years, and who had laboured long and successfully in the vineyard of the Lord, have passed from earth to heaven. Three others are obliged, by increasing infirmities, to retire from the active toils of the ministry.

Nine approved Ministers, having completed their time of probation, have been solemnly ordained before many witnesses. Four young men, cordially recommended by their respective District-Meetings, and unanimously approved by the Conference, have been accepted as Candidates for our ministry; and three of them sent into Circuits.

You are sadly familiar with those complicated and chronic evils that, in their combined operation, produce such misery and degradation in Ireland. The deep-seated source and cause of our sorrow and shame—antichristian error—still holds dominion over the greater portion of the population of our beloved, but unhappy, country; disturbs all social and political relations; and gives its sanction and its form to the ungodliness and wickedness of the millions whom it darkens, corrupts, and enslaves.

We see around us a naturally fine and intelligent race, upon whom Popery has impressed its character, into whom it has instilled its principles, and from whom it has extracted the intellectual and moral life-blood; incapacitating them, as a people, not only for the holy pleasures and employments of eternity, but, in a great degree, for self-dependence, civil liberty, and the useful and remunerating occupations of time.

By the Truth made free, identified with you in character and affection, and called as you are to preach that Gospel which alone "maketh us to differ" from those who reject it, we are Irishmen still, and warmly love our deluded countrymen. We have, therefore, on their behalf, "great heaviness, and continual sorrow in our hearts." Ireland is evidently suffering under the Divine displeasure; but she is also undergoing a social change which, we think, is already beginning to operate to the production of other changes of more than secular importance. Some of the chief obstructions to our present success, and the causes of our numerical decrease, arise out of this transition-state, in which judicial infliction is, we believe, combined with ulterior purposes of mercy. And as the blast that threatens to extinguish the flame burning

feebly amongst fuel not yet wholly dry, gradually absorbs the moisture, and soon creates far more favourable conditions of combustion, so, we would hope, will the blast of Divine visitation ultimately, and not remotely, produce a better and more accessible state of the Roman Catholic mind in Ireland.

Methodism is eminently adapted to evangelize this land, and is called to be foremost in entering every open door. We feel our deep responsibility at this eventful period, not only in reference to the nominally Protestant minority, but to the great Roman Catholic majority of our unconverted fellow-subjects; and if we just now hesitate to alter our position by a more direct aggression upon Romanism than is involved in our existing itinerant usages, zealously prosecuted, it is not from fear of consequences, but because we cannot hope that the good *we* seek would result from any effort more prominently polemical in its character. Knowing Methodism to be of God, and having confidence toward Him that He will maintain His own cause, we do not so much desire to controvert as to evangelize. We have always, indeed, anticipated opposition, because the assertion of truth includes the denial of error; and we have not shrunk from controversy when it became necessary to engage in it; nor have we been unready "always to give an answer to every man that asketh us a reason of the hope that is in us;" but we aim so to preach Christ crucified, as to "draw men to Him," "that they may receive forgiveness of sins, and inheritance among them which are sanctified by faith that is in Him." And we earnestly beseech you, dear Fathers and Brethren, to pray for us, "that we be not unwise, but understanding what the will of the Lord is."

Famine still wastes our population by thousands; pestilence has revisited our shores; all temporal interests are severely depressed; and emigration progresses on an enlarging scale. Although, from these and similar causes, we were led to fear a diminution of our numbers, the realisation of this sad fact, in a decrease of 931 members, is not the less felt by us as a matter of humiliation and anxiety. By emigrations alone we have lost 1,165 from our Societies: these were, in very many instances, our most devoted and influential office-bearers and members. Thousands of our accustomed and occasional hearers have also gone to other lands. Thus Congregations and Societies continue to be reduced or broken up; and though numbers of these emigrants will, we hope, be found united with other branches of our Connexional family, the removal of so many in one year is a loss very partially supplied by the addition of 234 new members in the same period, after filling the chasms occasioned by death; and by the apathy, despondency, and guiltiness induced by severe privations. After searching inquiry, while we can thus, to some extent, account for continued, though happily diminished, numerical retrogression,

we are far from being satisfied with our present position, or with our past zeal and diligence; and we do deeply abase ourselves before God, while with revived hope in His mercy we cry, "Save now, we beseech Thee, O Lord; O Lord, we beseech Thee, send now prosperity."

In common with our guilty nation,—though with many mitigations,—we and our people suffer under the general calamities, and are affected by them; but, as a Christian community, we experience that "the Lord is good, a stronghold in the day of trouble." We have had through the year manifest tokens of His gracious presence; in many Circuits there have been numerous conversions, in some an increase of members; the plan agreed on at the last Conference, of having special District visitations for spiritual ends, resulted in great good to both Ministers and people; it attracted attention, and showed how practicable and effective street-preaching even now is when prosecuted in faith and charity. And there is a growing inclination in some of our Circuits to provide more adequately for Ministers and their families, and to contribute towards the extension of our borders.

We rejoice in the prosperity and increase of Methodism throughout England during the past year: it gladdens us, fills us with gratitude to the Lord of the harvest, and excites a still livelier hope that our God will extend mercy to *us* also, "to give us a reviving."

To promote the spiritual interests of the rising generation has always been viewed by us as a most important branch of our work. It is now of vital urgency. By the greatly-esteemed Minister who was our President last year,—the Rev. Samuel Jackson,—we were strongly encouraged to more systematic efforts; in many Circuits catechumen-classes have been organized, and we purpose to direct increased attention to this duty in the present year.

We feel it incumbent upon us to be assiduous in disseminating our valuable Periodicals, and our Wesleyan literature in general: this was a subject of grave and lengthened investigation during our session.

It is one of the many advantages of our union with you, that it brings to us, from your side of the Channel, such men as you annually send over to help us with their matured wisdom, and to edify us by their evangelical instructions. The presence, counsels, and powerful ministrations of our beloved and venerated President, the Rev. Robert Newton, D.D., have been more highly estimated by us, for many years, than we can express in words. Every succeeding visit serves to increase our regard for him, not only as an eminent Minister of Christ, but as a long-tried, faithful, and sympathising friend.

The Rev. Joseph Fowler, your Secretary, in this his first visit to our shores, has won our sincere esteem and regard. The kind

and earnest attention he directed to all our affairs, and the help he afforded by the application of his lucid mind to the cases of moment and intricacy that arose, demand our distinct acknowledgment.

Your Missionary Deputations, consisting of the Revds. Joseph Stinson, Robert Inglis, William R. Williams, John Gostick, and William Moister, we received with respect and welcome. They rendered us efficient and very needful assistance in this time of peculiar depression.

We cannot omit again specially to notice the long and acceptable services of your highly-respected Superintendent of Missions and Schools, the Rev. Walter Oke Croggon. We hope you will accede to our unanimous request for his re-appointment to an office, the arduous duties of which his abilities, habits, and experience qualify him so effectively to fulfil.

The Brethren whom we depute as our Representatives to your Conference this year, are the Revds. Thomas Waugh, William Reilly, and John Williams. They are conversant with all our affairs, and have our full esteem and confidence.

We now conclude, expressing our humble trust that, as a body of Ministers, we are increasingly alive to our solemn responsibility, more fervent in zeal, more instant in prayer, more athirst for entire sanctification, and more fully determined still to "endure hardness, as good soldiers of Jesus Christ." We are convinced that we could not be, throughout the world, that holy and useful ministry which the Lord has made us from the beginning, *with or by* any other distinctive creed than the one we preach. We feel it, indeed, to be incumbent on us, not only to adhere firmly to first principles, but to take heed unto ourselves that we leave not our first love. Should this occur, we are well aware that a mere creed would avail us little; but *that first love*, in its perpetuity, its essential, simple, and expansive intensity, its supplementary ecclesiastical arrangements, and its comprehensive adaptation to *man*, we trace up to the principle involved in the words of St. Paul, "So we preach, and so ye believed."

Cordially then approving of, and resolved to continue in, the doctrines and discipline of Methodism, and, by "looking unto Jesus," to experience and exemplify that true religion it so fully sets forth, after a session of much concord we separate, prayerfully hoping that this year our God will bless us, that we may be a blessing.

Signed on behalf and by order of the Conference,

JOHN F. MATHEWS, *Secretary*.

Cork, July 4th, 1849.

THE ANSWER OF THE BRITISH CONFERENCE TO THE ADDRESS OF THE IRISH CONFERENCE.

VERY DEAR BRETHREN,

ON the first day of the largest Conference in which we have ever assembled, your fraternal and welcome Address was read with affectionate interest. Your circumstances during the year have been marked by various trial,—trial under which you and your beloved people have deeply suffered; but these sufferings only serve to render warmer the feelings of brotherly love which we shall ever cherish toward you. We could not fail to remark, that a special Providence seems to have cared for your lives, since, in a year of such mortality, not one in your ranks has fallen. This token of God's tenderness is, to us, cause of brotherly rejoicing, as to you it must be of lively encouragement. We would also gladly hope, that the fierceness of your trials is already over: the rebellion which menaced you has passed away; the famine, which has been repeated year after year, seems mercifully approaching a close; and we would fain trust that various indications promise to Ireland more favourable opportunities of rest and progress than she has been permitted to enjoy since politico-religious agitation cast into the hands of designing men the power to disquiet and mislead the great majority of her population. But whatever may be the hope offered by the bounty of Providence, or by the prospect of political amelioration, we feel assured that to you, and to your fellow-labourers of other Christian churches, we must look as the sole instrumentality of securing to Ireland that state of religious light upon which alone will rest the blessing that maketh rich, and addeth no sorrow therewith. Recent events, in various parts of nominal Christendom, testify impressively that for real national happiness no solid basis can be found but national obedience to the Gospel of the Son of God. If truth and holiness advance, confusion and misery must assuredly recede; if truth and holiness decline, human lights and human remedies will vainly contend with the corrupt tendencies of our fallen nature, and the displeasure of our great Lord. To lead a people into ways that will please God, is the sole method of infallibly securing their highest temporal good; and we feel assured that from the late sufferings of your country, the zeal you have ever shown will gather fresh vigour, and that all the holy motives which urge and sustain you will henceforth be reinforced by a conviction stronger than ever, that the servants of Christ must succeed, or your country must suffer.

Under these views, we enter with tender sympathy into your regrets, so suitably and touchingly expressed, that the past year has not yielded you an increase of members wherein to rejoice. That the causes to which you have alluded should exert upon your

Societies a depressing tendency, is inevitable. Yet, we would remind you, as you have often felt, that the chief source of your decrease, emigration, contains in itself much ground of encouragement. Your Roman Catholic population has long been pouring itself forth upon the shores of America, and has constituted a great religious danger both to many of our own colonies, and to the new commonwealth that has so suddenly risen to eminence in the West, threatening to deteriorate, or even subject and oppress, the scriptural Protestantism of these countries. It has pleased God that with emigrants from your Societies should originate that religious movement which has, more than any other modern cause, tended to restrain the advance of Popery in the New World, and to pervade its rising communities with vital religion. Looking, then, on the past, you may reasonably hope that the hundreds of Christian people who have departed from among your flocks will carry with them a leaven which shall hereafter re-appear, counter-working the leaven of wickedness, and pervading with all the elements of blessing most important branches of the human family.

That gracious increase with which our blessed Master has been pleased to favour us during the past year, would under any circumstances yield us exceeding gladness: amid various opposition from without, and no small effort to divide and perplex us from within, we have seen our work thriving, not in one, but in nearly every District of our Connexion; and at the close of the year we meet together to rejoice over souls added to our numbers. For this great mercy we would cherish a gratitude additional to all that is due on our own account, because we are persuaded that to you, our beloved Brethren, it will afford joy in your affliction, and encouragement under the declension of your own numbers. Tokens of the Divine favour resting on the parent body have ever a cheering effect on the various branches of our happy Wesleyan-Methodist family which are now distributed over the world. And we are assured that you, as the oldest and the most closely related of those branches, ever cherish a sympathy with us so intimate that our strength is your strength; and that had we been called to deplore this year a decrease of our numbers, you would have mourned and suffered with us.

We doubt not that your interest in our concerns has led you to watch with solicitude all that has transpired during the year as to the state of mutual affection existing amongst us. Probably the fear may have arisen in your minds that the wonderful unity and mutual love wherewith God has so long, by great and special mercy, favoured us as a body of Ministers, had at length failed, and that we were now brought to a condition of painful distrust and dissension. We confess, with pain, that persevering efforts have been made to reduce us to that condition; and, as part of the policy of those making such efforts, was to create an impression of their own

numbers, it is not impossible that our real state may have been misapprehended. You will gratefully receive, as we, thank God, can honestly give, the firm assurance that never did we witness more unquestionable tokens of fraternal oneness pervading the great mass of our Ministers, than we have witnessed during the present Conference. To you, at a distance, the almost unanimous character of our public acts will give sufficient evidence that on points of essential principle no grave difference exists among us; but only those who have taken part in our deliberations can appreciate the deep sense of brotherhood, the firm union with each other, and the hearty loyalty to our beloved Methodism, with which our numerous assembly has been animated. And when we consider at once the extent of our Connexion, and the vigour of the attempts made to shake our mutual confidence, we cannot witness our present union, without recognising, with lowly gratitude, the good hand of our God upon us. We cannot believe that any power less than that of an overruling Providence could have saved us from serious alienations. Such have not occurred; and though we have had individual cases which have caused us grief and difficulty, we have a firmer assurance than ever that our heart is as one heart; and we set forth anew on our course, joyful in the prosperity of our Circuits, joyful in our mutual love, and full of humble hope that we shall prosecute the labours of this year amid increased peace, and with growing success.

We rejoice that you have proved anew that, when judiciously conducted, street-preaching may be practised with good effects, even among your population, where the violence of Romish prejudice naturally excites strong hostility. To this and to other similar efforts our Fathers owed, both among you and us, much of their success; and to this they were indebted for much of their persecution. We have entered into their labours; yet beyond what may be called the Christian pale, lies in both countries an immense population to whose ears scarcely any means exist of carrying the Gospel, unless we expose ourselves to the dangers and disgraces which they counted honour. And we would deeply ponder the call which the existence of such multitudes presents, to betake ourselves with fresh purpose to any labours or perils that offer us the hope of winning souls.

You will perceive with pleasure that the steps which we have of late years taken to further the godly training of our youth, have already reached a point of cheering encouragement. Both our week-day schools and our catechumen-classes are promising to become, by the blessing of God, means of extensive benefit to the youth of this country. We mark with pleasure your notice of this latter movement, as applied to your own country; and congratulate you that already you have organized catechumen-classes in several of your Circuits, and are cherishing the resolution to "direct increased attention to this duty during the present year." Although

a general attempt to form these classes has not been made amongst us till a recent period, it is gratifying that already those under the care of lay Catechists include fifteen thousand catechumens, while six thousand more are in classes of which Ministers have the charge. We are assured that you do not need to have pointed out by us the important place which such an agency may be made to hold, especially in the edification of a church where, as in your case, it has to contend against an ascendant Popery, and to seek, from among the disciples of that system, converts to the faith of Christ. We shall ever learn with much interest your progress in this, as in every branch of your evangelical labours.

We have seen with satisfaction, as we ever do, your Representatives in the midst of us, welcoming them with the cordiality due to their personal excellence, and with the respect and love due to you and your faithful people, to whom, through them, we offered the salutations of a most endeared fraternity. Their stay with us this year has happily not been interrupted as it so painfully was last year: their own land has been in peace, and they have been enabled to afford us throughout our sittings the gratification of their presence. It has been pleasing also to see, in addition to your honoured Representatives, a beloved Brother representing our Canadian Conference, under the care of which are now to be found so many who received from you the first principles of the doctrine of Christ. We thus see, not only Methodism in the United Kingdom, but Methodism in the eastern and in the western hemisphere, meeting on one basis, interchanging the tokens of mutual love, and resolving anew to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. Nor do we doubt that our great and glorious Master yet reserves for us blessed days of vigour and of growth. The work in which our Fathers laboured, and into whose labours we have had the privilege to enter, is not yet fully performed. Scripture holiness is not yet spread throughout the land. Our Lord has yet many rights to enforce; our fellow-countrymen in the United Kingdom have many wounds to be healed. That we are worthy to carry on the work of God to completion, we do not dare to say: He, our Master and our Judge, knows that our unfaithfulness and demerit are great; and did we look only on these, our hope of future triumph must fail. But deeply feeling, and before God and His church confessing, our manifold unworthiness, we do at the same time delightfully prove that by His presence in our assemblies, by His unction shed on our feeble ministrations, by His blessing on so many of our Circuits, by His maintenance amid trial of our blessed unity, and by His granting to us so hopeful a succession of labourers, He does testify that in the midst of us His mercy delights to dwell, and that by our hands He will yet convey the word of salvation to multitudes of sinful men. Solemnly, and with self-distrust, but with a confidence all

the firmer for being cautious, we turn our faces toward that great world which lieth in wickedness, and in the name of our Almighty Lord, resolve that it shall surrender to the Cross. We need not say that it is in nowise in our heart to expect that the work of God shall be done by Methodist labourers alone: but our past history lays us under the necessity of feeling that fire and strength with us will kindle and impel all our sister churches. Never let us lose our blessed privilege of provoking to good works all who are with us in the same field: rather let us suffer from their emulation, than be at ease with them in mutual languor. Such are the feelings we would devoutly stir up in our own hearts; and in these we know well you will sympathise with all the "faith and love" which you habitually manifest.

We are sincerely gratified to learn that your people are purposing to relieve you, to some extent, from that weight of privation under which you have so generally been obliged to prosecute your manifold labours. Wherever this good work is carried into effect, we cannot doubt that He who ever gives His blessing to those who do His will, will grant to your people tokens of His gracious approval.

To attend your next Conference, we have appointed our beloved President, Secretary, and Ex-President. These venerated Brethren you already know, and we are assured you will receive them with that cordiality which is so habitual to you, and of which our Brethren who visit you ever bring back a lively and grateful remembrance. In the list of our Missionary Deputations are included the following arrangements:—For the North of Ireland, the Revds. Robert S. Hardy and William Allen, 1st; for the South, the Revds. John Rattenbury and John W. Thomas; and for the West, the Rev. Jonathan Crowther.

And now, Brethren, dearly beloved, to the tenderest care of our adorable Lord do we commend you and your flocks. May you and they prove continually that His presence is in the midst of you! And may the year on which you have now entered be crowned with spiritual blessings above all those through which you have hitherto passed! And for your further and richer encouragement, forget not that while to the *ministry in succession* the labour is unceasing till the work be done, and the whole earth be full of the knowledge of the Lord; yet the work of the personal labourers is limited to the brief period of their own lives, an eternity of blessed repose coming after a few years of faithful toil. Our Fathers have been taken from our view; but they still exist. They departed hence in the Lord, and, being delivered from the burden of the flesh, they now rest with Christ in joy and felicity. And you, too, living in the Lord, shall, ere long, die in Him, and rest from your labours. Go on, beloved Brethren, rejoicing in the hope not only of present success, but of that future and

eternal reward which the mercy of our God shall bestow on His faithful servants through the infinite merits of His Son, our Lord and Saviour.

“On faith's strong eagle-pinions rise,
And force your passage to the skies,
And scale the mount of God.”

Signed on behalf and by order of the Conference,

ISAAC KEELING,
JOHN FARRAR,
WILLIAM BARTON, } *Sub-Secretaries.*

Manchester, August 11th, 1849.

ANSWER OF THE BRITISH CONFERENCE TO THE ADDRESS OF THE CONFERENCE OF THE WESLEYAN- METHODIST CHURCH IN CANADA IN CONNEXION WITH THE BRITISH CONFERENCE.

REVEREND AND DEAR BRETHREN,

YOUR Address which we received by the hands of our beloved Brother the REV. DR. DIXON, who presided at your last assembly, has been read and considered with every sentiment of Christian and fraternal affection: it has afforded us very high satisfaction, and called forth our thanksgivings to Almighty God on your behalf.

We rejoice that the expectations which we formed and cherished of the results of the Union completed last year have been realised, and that the great Head of the Church has afforded you so much of spiritual prosperity in your godly, practical, and laborious co-operation in His work. We fervently hope, and as confidently believe, that this Union will be promoted and perpetuated by all means, not only on account of its manifest propriety and the manifold advantages which will arise from it to you all as members of the Methodist Family, but also as it is especially called for by the circumstances, interests, and relations of the population by whom you are surrounded, and to whom your evangelical mission is directed. Rest assured, that we shall be always anxious to render this Union indissoluble and mutually profitable, so that, one in Christ, we may, in all things, manifest this oneness, to the edifying of each other in love. While we deeply sympathise with you and the people of your charge in the financial depression of the times, by which we too have been greatly exercised, we thankfully observe that devoted and self-denying zeal and liberality which have so fully sustained your Missionary contributions, and are grateful for the vigorous prosperity of the cause to which this liberality is applied. An energetic prosecution of the work of Christian Missions is imperatively necessary among

the wide-spread inhabitants, now so rapidly increasing by the tide of immigration, and the accumulating developments of your important and rising portion of the Empire. We follow with affectionate solicitude many of our beloved people who, from this Kingdom and from Ireland, are seeking a home in Canada; and, in commending them to God, who is able to keep them from falling, and to present them faultless before the presence of His glory with exceeding joy, we confide them also to your pastoral care and oversight, knowing that you will cheerfully and effectually undertake this burden as opportunity may be given and as occasion may require. Our prayer is that your well-directed and sustained exertions to extend the influence of Protestant truth and vital and practical godliness, may be crowned with abundant success, in preserving that which is good, in obstructing and driving away unscriptural and deadly error, in the conversion of souls, and in the establishment of religious and social happiness.

It is with no ordinary feelings of thankfulness that we refer to the state of our Societies and congregations in this country. Many places have recently been favoured with times of refreshing and revival: the worship of the sanctuary has been crowned with the Divine presence, and the ministry of the word succeeded in the edification of the churches and in the conversion of sinners. In some of our Circuits considerable additions have been made to our numbers, and a gracious quickening is generally apparent. This is the more encouraging, as numerous and powerful agencies oppose themselves to the operation of Christian truth and godliness. A revived externalism, an insidious and infidel rationalism, the dissipating and distracting consequences of an intense worldliness, and political excitement, have been and are arrayed against the influence of evangelical churches; and whilst we mourn over some who are deeply injured thereby, we rejoice at the indications now vouchsafed that the truth as it is in Jesus is commending itself, more fully, in the midst of us, and that the attention and affections of not a few are directed to the things which belong to their peace and religious welfare. From the large field of our Missionary labour we continue to receive satisfactory and cheering intelligence. The devoted men who occupy the various Stations, and who are so well entitled to our affection, confidence, respect, and support, have also the higher sanctions of their Great Master's presence and blessing, who works with them and confirms their word. Our Missionary income for the past year, though inadequate to the expenditure, a circumstance which creates much anxiety, has suffered no diminution; and we confidently calculate on such liberality as shall prevent any decrease in the number and efficiency of our Missionary Stations or Agents, and enable us to pursue this good work with unabated vigour and with increasing success. On the whole, we "thank God, and take courage."

Believing that it would be acceptable to you, and well-persuaded that it will contribute to establish still more firmly the Union which now so happily exists between us, we have appointed our beloved Brother, the REV. DR. RICHEY, as the President of your next Conference. Our high estimation of him is confirmed and increased by the manner in which you refer to his fidelity, Christian zeal, and kindness; and we fully reciprocate your hope that he may long continue, by his talents, counsels, and labours, to advance the high and holy objects at which we mutually aim, and to promote still more fully the cause of Christ among you.

We were prepared, from our previous knowledge of our dear Brother, the REV. ENOCH WOOD, for your expressions of affectionate confidence in his personal and ministerial excellence, and in his fitness for the important and onerous station which he so well fills among you; and we have acceded, readily and with pleasure, to your request that he be re-appointed General Superintendent of Missions in Upper Canada.

In the appointment of the REV. DR. DIXON to preside at your last Conference, we were anxious fully to meet the great importance of the occasion, and to confide the interests of all concerned in the Union to a faithful, able, and well-tried Representative; and we are much gratified to learn that his presence and counsels in your Conference, his ministry in your congregations, and his Christian intercourse in social and private life, have endeared him to your affections, and abundantly realised our well-founded anticipations of the influence which his visit would exert. We praise God for the grace which rested on our beloved Brother in this his important mission, and have welcomed him among us, on his return, with increasing feelings of obligation, respect, and love.

And now, Reverend and dear Brethren, our supreme concern for you and ourselves is, that we may make full proof of our ministry; in all things approving ourselves as Ministers of God, "by pureness, by knowledge, by long-suffering, by the Holy Ghost, by love unfeigned, by the word of truth, by the power of God, by the armour of righteousness on the right hand and on the left, by honour and dishonour, by evil and by good report; so that when the Chief Shepherd shall appear, we may receive a crown of glory; and, having turned many to righteousness, shine as the stars for ever and ever."

"Now unto Him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us, unto Him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus, throughout all ages, world without end. Amen."

Signed in behalf of the Conference,

JOSEPH FOWLER, *Secretary.*

Hull, August, 1848.

ADDRESS OF THE CONFERENCE OF THE WESLEYAN-METHODIST CHURCH IN CANADA IN CONNEXION WITH THE BRITISH CONFERENCE, TO THE CONFERENCE IN ENGLAND.

REVEREND FATHERS AND BRETHREN,

WE most gratefully acknowledge the receipt of your Address, the reading of which has produced strong impressions and lively emotions in our minds. We are greatly encouraged by the delightful and animating facts which you have stated, while we are deeply impressed with the hallowed sentiments and comprehensive views of the unity and polity of the Wesleyan Church, as well as practical counsels and advices, conveyed in your Address.

Be assured, honoured Fathers and Brethren, that we respond with all our hearts to the views you have expressed on the unity of Wesleyan Methodism in Canada. Every year's experience deepens our convictions of the importance of that unity, and develops more fully the wisdom of the arrangement by which the operations of the English and Canadian Conferences have been consolidated into one harmonious and powerful instrumentality to spread evangelical truth and holiness throughout this improving country. The spirit of that arrangement has become incorporated with the best thinkings, feelings, and hopes of the entire ministry and membership of our Church. Not a discordant note is heard throughout our Societies; nor does a spirit of uncharitableness or suspicion find a lodgment in any section of our ministry. Our Ministers and people are indeed and in truth of one heart and of one mind, and intent upon the great work committed to our trust.

We rejoice that you have been favoured with times of refreshing and revival in your Societies and congregations, both at home and abroad; and we are thankful to be able to state, that we have been blessed with similar visitations of Divine mercy and power in many parts of our work. The agitations of the times and the great depression which has pervaded all our agricultural, manufacturing, and commercial interests, have been unfavourable to the success of our labours; yet have they been crowned with some success in every department. There has been a numerical increase of several hundreds in our Societies; there has been an increase in our Contingent Fund collections, and in the subscriptions for the support of our superannuated Preachers; there has also been an increase of between one and two hundred pounds in our receipts for the Missionary Society—the aggregate receipts of the last year being upwards of £2,900. Corresponding progress has been made in the department of Sabbath-schools, and in the erection and completion of a large number of chapels. We believe that during no former year have our Ministers and people exerted themselves with so much unanimity and success in these several branches of

our work; nor have we ever witnessed more encouraging tokens of the Divine blessing.

The extent of the Missionary department of our work in Western Canada, in addition to the regular Circuit work, may be conceived from the facts, that there are 11 *Indian* Mission-stations, supplied by 13 Missionaries, aided by 12 Interpreters, and containing 12 day-schools, and 12 Teachers, 30 Native Local Preachers, 1,081 church-members, and 2,492 attendants upon public worship. In the *Domestic* Missions, or Missions to the Emigrants and New Settlements, there are 37 Circuits, 49 Missionaries, 67 Local Preachers, 409 preaching-places, 5,048 church-members, 56 Sabbath-schools, 2,268 Scholars, 301 Teachers, and 21,569 hearers.

It is thus our care and endeavour, to the utmost of our power, to supply the new and feeble settlements with the ministrations of religion, and to provide every newly-arrived emigrant with its consolations; to cause the accents of salvation to mingle with the first echoes of the woodman's axe; to assuage the sorrows and alleviate the privations of the new settler with sanctuary privileges and pastoral sympathies; to illumine the rayless wigwam of the Indian with the Light of Life, and create around him the comforts and institutions of Christian civilisation. This has stamped a characteristic feature upon our great mission in this country from the beginning; and, in the fulfilment of it, our Ministers and Missionaries have endured unnumbered labours, privations, and sufferings. Our success has corresponded with the sacrifices made to secure it; and how much that success has been promoted by the present Union between the English and Canadian Conferences may be conceived by comparing the vast field of our Missionary labours at the present time with its former limited extent before the Union. In accordance with your affectionate admonitions, we shall devote ourselves with earnest diligence to the cultivation of the great Missionary field which your benevolent co-operation enables us to occupy, while no exertions will be wanting on our part, throughout both our Circuit and Missionary work, to raise as large funds as possible to aid in its support and extension.

In the maintenance and extension of our varied work, and in raising the pecuniary resources necessary for its promotion, we are deeply indebted to the indefatigable and able labours of your honoured Representatives,—the Rev. Dr. Richey and the Rev. Enoch Wood. Mr. Wood's ministrations in the pulpit and appeals on the platform, his visitations of the widely-spread Mission-stations and care in the management of the Missionary Funds, his affectionate and spiritual intercourse with ourselves and people, have afforded ample proof that we were not mistaken in requesting his continuance as Superintendent of Missions in Upper Canada. We gratefully acknowledge your kindness in complying with our

request; and we are sure that his continued labours in this Province, which we cordially and unanimously request, will be eminently advantageous to the interests of your own Missionary Funds and of the work under his charge.

It is also with no ordinary feelings of pleasure that we refer to the public and private intercourse, as well as to the ministrations and labours, of our esteemed Brother the Rev. Dr. Richey, who has performed the duties of Co-Delegate during the past year, and whom you have appointed President for the present year. Like your Superintendent of Missions, Dr. Richey has been in labours more abundant; and never, we believe, did his labours exert a more commanding and salutary influence; and never have the varied interests of our beloved Church had a more vigilant and able Overseer. Dr. Richey has long been known as an eloquent Preacher and able expounder of Wesleyan Theology; and in his new position of Chief Bishop of our Church, he has exhibited talents equally exalted for counsel, admonition, and government. The fervour and power of his ministrations, his discrimination, decision, impartiality and kindness in presiding over our deliberations, together with our experience of his labours during the year, have deeply impressed us with his admirable qualifications for his present office; and we most earnestly and unanimously request his appointment as our President the second year. We are confident that, in acceding to this request, you will consult the best interests of the Wesleyan-Methodist Church in Canada.

We feel that a great and sacred trust has been committed to us in respect to Scriptural Truth itself, as well as in ministering to the spiritual wants of our scattered population and Indian tribes. A "revived" and semi-Papal "externalism" has developed itself in this country in a section of the Protestant Church, and, as is usual with scepticism and formalism of every shade, breathes a spirit of unmitigated hostility to Methodism. In all such cases, we find the true remedy in our decisive and practical testimony to the great doctrines and principles which our revered Founder was the honoured instrument in reviving, and which have characterized us as a people throughout the world,—Justification by faith alone in the atonement of Christ, assurance by the inward witness of the Holy Spirit of personal acceptance with God, entire sanctification by the blood of His only-begotten Son, and the spiritual internal call to the work of the Christian ministry. On the platform of these great doctrines we unwaveringly stand, their truth and importance we are resolved uncompromisingly to maintain, and with their spirit we fervently desire to be more fully baptized.

From past and present indications, we anticipate a year of revival and prosperity. We go forth in faith, and with the single purpose of laying aside all worldly cares and studies, all uncharitableness and suspicion, of honouring each other's character, and

of knowing nothing among our congregations and people but Jesus Christ and Him crucified.

In order to accomplish more fully the great objects of the Union, and promote the interests of Methodism in this extensive country, we have appointed our beloved and honoured Brother the Rev. John Ryerson as our Representative to you. Our esteemed Brother, having heretofore been deputed and most efficiently represented us to you in the same capacity, is already known to, and appreciated by, you as well as ourselves; and to him we refer you for information on all matters pertaining to the work in Upper Canada. We do indeed anticipate the day when the Wesleyan Churches in all the British North American Provinces will be formed into one great communion,—the Preachers mutually itinerating from Province to Province as occasion may suggest,—and the whole work consolidated by one united machinery in connexion with the Parent Body in England.

We solicit the continuance of your prayers, counsels, and co-operation; and we devoutly unite with you in imploring the abundant outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon all the Ministers and congregations of our beloved Church throughout the world.

Signed by order and on behalf of the Conference of the Wesleyan-Methodist Church in Canada, at Hamilton, this Fourteenth day of June, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Forty-Nine.

CONRAD VANDUSEN, *Secretary.*

ADDRESS OF THE GENERAL CONFERENCE OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES, TO THE BRITISH CONFERENCE OF THE WESLEYAN-METHODIST CHURCH, ENGLAND.

FATHERS AND BRETHREN,

NOTHING gives us more pleasure than to receive your fraternal salutations at a session of our General Conference; and this pleasure is heightened when we receive them at the hands, and in the words, of one of your own body. It affords us much happiness to bear testimony to the excellent spirit and amiable deportment of your Representative, the Rev. Dr. Dixon; and we should have been pleased to have received with him the Rev. Joseph Stinson, whom you requested to accompany him. We avail ourselves of your kind and confiding reference to your Representative, and consider his address to us as the voice of our British Brethren.

Through him you express the continuance of your cordial affection toward us, and your earnest desire for our increased

prosperity. We receive this expression as in some degree a manifestation of paternal feeling on your part, which, in our judgment, has somewhat of a Divine blessing connected with it. And, in return, we declare the unabated admiration and love which we bear your body, and our desire to prove ourselves worthy of our sacred spiritual relations with you. We have good hope that we shall be able to do so, as well from our own knowledge of the true Wesleyan character of our doctrines, services, and discipline, as from the frank and clear declaration of your Representative, that the Methodist Episcopal Church appeared to him to exhibit essentially pure Wesleyan Methodism.

Your Representative was pleased to allude to the unhappy separation of our beloved Church, growing out of the connexion of our Superintendents with slavery, prior to the General Conference of 1844; and expressed his deep regret that any such cause of separation should have arisen.

The true cause of the difficulty in our beloved Zion was our refusal to admit, under any circumstances, a connexion of our Episcopacy with slavery. True, your honoured Representative took occasion to say further, (declaring at the same time, that he expressed the sentiments of the whole body of Methodists in England, both Ministers and people,) that your sympathies were entirely on the side of liberty. On our part we would say, that while all our sympathies lie in the same direction, and it is our purpose still, as heretofore, to bear steadily our testimony against the great evil of slavery; and, within our legitimate sphere as a Church, to discountenance it and seek its removal; we, nevertheless, have long been satisfied, that our Brethren in other countries, occupying a distant stand-point, and therefore not clearly comprehending the complicated conditions of this extremely difficult subject, have not been able to do full justice to our policy and conduct as a Church in regard to this matter. They may have thought that we should have acted with more directness and decision. Feeling ourselves within the complications of this great evil, whose effects are felt throughout the sacred, social, and political relations of this country, it becomes us to act prudently and in the fear of God; and strive to consider well and settle all things on the surest and best foundations for the promotion of His glory, and the peace and prosperity of the Church.

Your Representative took occasion to express to us the high satisfaction he felt in visiting our country, and conversing with the most distinguished and intelligent of its citizens, both in the Government and in private life. And we acknowledge a sense of unfeigned gratification, on our part, while we listened to his frank and candid avowal of his astonishment at the mellowing influences of our institutions, in inspiring our great men with striking condescension and courtesy, and in elevating the lowly.

And we were edified with the direct and fervent prayers which he offered up for our Government and nation in his public administrations; while at the same time he as frankly and fervently mingled therewith his prayers for your beloved Queen, your Government and nation, which found a warm response from our hearts.

We will take this occasion to say, we have great pleasure in observing that you have distinctly assumed all the titles, forms, and functions of a true church of Christ, which, indeed, we have regarded you always to have been. The present condition of Protestantism in Europe, and particularly in England, renders this position on your part very important to the interests of Christ's church.

Your systematic and efficient organization, not only for a regular and abundant supply of the word of life to the people, but also for your foreign Missionary work, commands our admiration, and moves us to action. We behold you planting the standard of the Cross in islands of every ocean, and on the coasts and plains of every continent, provoking us thereby to enter more largely into the same great work. It gives us pleasure to assure you, that in this respect we are steadily advancing.

Though our movements are not so striking as yours, yet they are vast and important.

Our own country stretches westward over the Rocky Mountains to the Pacific Ocean, a distance of thousands of miles, through which is dispersed a sparse population from all the nations of Europe, together with the numerous and populous tribes of the native Indians of its unbroken forests.

These elements of vast empires must be taught the principles, imbued with the spirit, and provided with the institutions of our holy Christianity. This immense domain is our domestic field of Missionary operations. And it is a cause of devout thankfulness to God that we see it yearly blossoming as the rose. As a specimen, we mention our German Missions: hundreds of thousands of native Germans flock to our land, bringing with them the cold and heartless Rationalism, or the ignorant and fanatical Roman Catholicism, of Germany. In their new and strange circumstances, they become easily accessible to us; and within ten years past, 5,000 have been converted to God, of whom about 2,000 were Roman Catholics.

These have been formed into regular Societies, which have been reduced to regular Circuits, Stations, and Districts, and well appointed by German Preachers, amounting in all to 85.

The work is still rapidly advancing, and we are taking measures to insure its increase and purity. Arrangements are being made to compile and publish an Evangelical Commentary on the New Testament; also Sunday-school books for our German Sunday-

schools, and to translate additional works from our General Catalogue into German. Already this great light kindled among the natives of Germany, now residing in this country, is beginning to illumine their father-land by means of letters, books, and visiters from the members of this new Evangelical German Church. God is sending Germany to us to be evangelized; and, indeed, in some degree, all the nations of Europe; and we doubt not but the reaction of this great domestic Missionary work among us will be great and salutary on the Old World.

But we are not content within this domestic field: we are extending our Missionary operations to Oregon, California, portions of Mexico, and to China; and, aided by the bright examples of your brilliant Missionary resources and operations, we hope shortly to fill up the measure of the Missionary work which God may be pleased to assign us.

And while we are thus endeavouring to extend the kingdom of God wider in the world, we are not unmindful of the population He hath given us at home. And believing that education is one great means of advancing and fortifying His kingdom among us, we have within the last twenty years given much attention to this matter. While we have not thought it best to have Theological Seminaries proper, and have judged that a proper course of study which our young men are required to accomplish in four years, while they are actively engaged in preaching the Gospel and taking care of souls, will make them able Ministers of the New Testament, we have been careful to provide Universities, Colleges, and Academies for the education of our own people, as well as the public at large.

And in this department of our work, we may congratulate ourselves as having been successful. We have now seven Colleges fully organized, and affording academic education to thousands of our younger sons, and also of our daughters, who are thus prepared to diffuse the essence and odour of piety in the more private and sacred walks of life.

We take pleasure in naming, as additional means of education, the vast capital and appliances of our General Book-Concern, and the numerous excellent works which issue from it.

In the General Catalogue there are 275 distinct works, some of them extending to six heavy volumes. In the list are Commentaries, Dictionaries, Church Histories, and many excellent Ecclesiastical and Theological works. We should be wanting in honour did we not acknowledge that many of them have been derived from your Connexion. Our Sunday-school publications also are very numerous: the Youth's Library already amounts to 411 volumes, and our Tract publications to 360. It would be difficult to state the many thousands of these works that are annually distributed throughout our vast country.

Our periodical literature is also immense. The weekly issues from our various presses in newspaper form, amount to not less than forty-five thousand copies. We have one Monthly Magazine, entitled the "Ladies' Repository," with about 7,000 subscribers. It is conducted with taste and ability, and the mechanical execution and embellishments are very creditable. Our Quarterly Review is conducted with ability, and affords a medium of presenting to our Ministers and principal friends the graver topics in theology, and in general science and literature. Our children in our thousands of Sunday-schools are supplied semi-weekly with the Sunday-school Advocate, in quarto form. It now has 80,000 subscribers, and is rapidly advancing to 100,000. We have also a monthly Missionary Advocate, with a subscription-list of at least 20,000, which distributes, throughout our Church generally, Missionary intelligence from various parts of the world. We trust that these vast issues of books and periodicals from our various presses and agencies, are imbued with the doctrines and spirit of genuine Christianity.

We did not think it necessary in the earlier part of this Address to allude to the only little matter of uneasiness between us; that is, the liberty which some of our Ministers (we say *some*, although we are advised of but one case) have taken to visit England, and make appointments for preaching and public services without the regular approbation or concurrence of the proper authorities among you. It gives us pleasure to testify our disapprobation of this course, and to say it has never been done with our sanction; and that we will see that hereafter the proper restraint is put upon all our Travelling Ministers in this matter. As it respects Local Preachers, we have no direct authority in the premises; but we wish distinctly to declare our disapprobation of any conduct on their part as Preachers in your country which has not your special sanction, and is not under your direction.

We have been gratified to observe that the cause of Temperance, on the principle of total abstinence from intoxicating liquors, is attracting attention in England; and we respectfully ask your attention to it, and your kind consideration of it, as intimately connected with the best interests of society in general, and greatly conducive to the success of the Gospel. Such is our experience in America, particularly when the Church enters heartily into the cause.

In conclusion, it gives us great pleasure to renew to you the expression of our fraternal affection, and to say, that it is now in our minds, at some suitable time hereafter, to reciprocate the favour you have done us by sending us your excellent Representative to refresh our spirits by his holy ministry, and to edify us by your Christian fellowship, which we enjoy through him.

Wishing you all prosperity and peace as a church, through the abounding grace of God in our Lord Jesus Christ,

We are, dear Fathers and Brethren, yours, in the bonds of the Gospel.

Respectfully submitted,

ELIJAH HEDDING,
BEVERLY WAUGH,
THO. A. MORRIS,
L. L. HAMLING,
EDMUND S. JANES.

THE ANSWER OF THE BRITISH CONFERENCE TO THE
ADDRESS OF THE GENERAL CONFERENCE OF THE
METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN THE UNITED
STATES OF AMERICA.

VERY DEAR BRETHREN,

WE have received your fraternal epistle with cordial satisfaction, and assure you of the unabated love which we bear to you, and to your faithful people. While blessing and adoring our merciful Lord for the manifold grace whereby He has upheld and aided us, and for a gracious increase this year vouchsafed to our Societies; we thank Him also for the signal blessings which He has shed upon you, in multiplying you so greatly, in enabling you to spread your operations over a surface so immense, and in making you the instruments of such abundant good to the rising nation of which you form a part. As we see your hundreds of thousands spreading over the new continent, and promising to leaven, by the blessing of God, the future generations of America, we cannot refrain from owning the great power and wisdom of the blessed Spirit by whose sole help, without the wealth, or honour, or authority of this world, our Fathers were enabled to found and to prepare this glorious work. You, with a spirit of affection which we cordially return, allude to us as the parent body; and we, on our part, cannot be insensible to the honour which God has put upon us, in raising up, by the hands of those who went out from our community, a Church so extensive and so useful as yours.

You speak of the essential oneness which you believe to exist between us, which also our respected Representative, when amongst you, gratefully recognised. That in doctrine, in experience, and in all leading principles of discipline, we are one, is testified to us equally by those of your Brethren whom from time to time we have the happiness to see amongst us, by those of ours who visit you, and by the literary organs of both Churches.

Considering the extent to which our Churches are diffused, the difference of the external influences under which they exist, and the endless ramifications of active agency into which they have branched, the unity which has been hitherto preserved is a token not a little expressive of a special care exercised over us by the great Head of the body of Christ. To you and to us the perpetuity of this happy oneness is matter of great importance: it gives us mutually a sense of strength, and the joy of belonging to a great and united family. Nor can it be without influence on the relations of our countries; and the existence of a good understanding between them must ever be of incalculable moment to all the interests of the human race.

We rejoice to learn from your Address, that the presence of our Representative among you has tended to increase in you the feelings at once of Christian brotherhood, and of national amity; and we would accept the kindness you evinced toward him, and the assurances he has borne back to us, of your cordiality and fellow-feeling, as fresh reasons for fostering in our own hearts and those of our people, all sentiments tending to counteract the effect of distance, and of political jealousies; and to maintain towards you, as a Church, the closest affection due to members of Christ, and towards you as a nation the lively sympathy due to a branch of the same family, and to an ally in the great work of securing to all men the benefits connected with freedom of conscience.

We doubt not that you will join us in noting, with wonder and gratitude, the care which Divine Providence has displayed toward our country, amid the commotions by which neighbouring kingdoms have been shaken. With us peace has continually abode: no combat has shaken our institutions, no blood has stained our soil. This, as you may well suppose, has much increased our habitual conviction of the value of those principles embodied in our national constitution; but chiefly it leads us to rejoice in the glorious Gospel of the blessed God, whence alone the individual or the community can derive true wisdom. The demand upon our gratitude made by these national blessings, is much augmented to us by the fact, that coincidently with them God has been pleased to shed upon various parts of our Connexion a fruitful influence of His grace; so that during the past year, in nearly all our Districts, we have witnessed an increase of numbers. This confirms the assurance we have ever felt, and which we deem ourselves bound to cherish, that British Methodism, so far from having accomplished its mission, has as yet only prevailed by the good hand of God upon it to secure, in the face of firm and powerful resistance, a position whence it may advance with accelerating progress, and in concert with all evangelical Churches, towards the goal at first set before it,—the entire regeneration of the land. Over the thousands and tens of thousands whom we see in every

part of our country walking in the fear of God, and in the comfort of the Holy Ghost, we rejoice with a joy which no man can take from us. But we have, on the other hand, cause for profound abasement, and calls to more fervent zeal. In all our great towns, in all our agricultural districts, we yet see the majority of our countrymen lying under the power of the wicked one; all forms of worldliness abound; God's holy day is, in many cases, fearfully desecrated; and manifold vices testify that all our zeal and prayer and faith are loudly called for. Looking at this spectacle, we mourn before God; we assure ourselves from His blessed word that He is not willing that any should perish; we remind ourselves that in His strength even we become mighty; and we solemnly purpose to urge anew all our efforts for the complete evangelization of the United Kingdom. Nor do we doubt that you habitually maintain the purpose of seeking without interruption the bringing of your entire population into captivity to the obedience of Christ. Until with you, and with us, all men know the Lord, let us never feel as if the progress already made gave us the least licence to remit our labours in calling sinners to repentance. In thus speaking, you will not understand us to desire that we should absorb or overturn other spiritual Churches. True, as you remark, we claim for ourselves all the rights and functions of a Church of God; but we ever purpose to maintain towards all sister Churches the most frank and affectionate cordiality. We will sustain, or, if necessitated, will repel, assaults; but will make none. To call sinners to repentance, and to build up in faith and good works the Church of God, is a work so infinitely glorious that we fear to turn aside.

We would receive with much consideration your statements respecting the peculiar difficulty of your case, as relating to the question of slavery. We are persuaded that God, the Friend of the oppressed, is by means of His servants working among your countrymen a conviction that the system they have hitherto tolerated is unjust and culpable; and that, ere long, this conviction will become so general as to call you to rejoice over your country, as we have been privileged to rejoice over ours, seeing her opening the prison to them that are bound. That you will do all that in you lies to accelerate the day of the Negro's liberation, and of your country's honour, we cannot permit ourselves to doubt.

Christianity, by asserting the identity of our nature, and the equal interest possessed by all the fallen race in the Great Redemption, strikes at the root of all oppression, and lays the true basis for the brotherhood of men. The records of Christian experience exemplify the same truths; and exhibit redeemed man, without distinction of caste or colour, as ennobled by his filial relationship to one God and Father, and enriched by the graces of the Divine Spirit. We have heard with much interest various

details stated by our beloved Representative respecting the Churches of our coloured brethren ; and rejoice to witness in their order and efficiency, such cheering evidence of the presence and power of Him who, when He ascended on high, received gifts for men. The inquiry has almost involuntarily suggested itself, whether by any well-considered marks of fraternal recognition, those interesting Churches might not become links of a closer connexion between the several parts of that one family of God in which is neither Jew nor Greek, bond nor free, because all are one in Christ Jesus. This subject may be surrounded with practical difficulties which we can but imperfectly appreciate, and we therefore content ourselves with suggesting it for your consideration.

Allow us also to express our confident hope that the exciting discussions which have issued in a separation of the Northern and Southern Branches of the Methodist family, involving questions on the particular merits of which it does not become us to give an opinion, may, however painful in their immediate results, eventually give a greater impulse to those principles of freedom which are so forcibly announced in the writings of our venerable Founder, and distinctly recognised in the formularies of our respective Churches.

Our Missions have, from the beginning, been a source of much strength and joy. The fact that they give you delight, encouragement, and stimulus to labour, we welcome as a new proof of their value. The liberality wherewith God has disposed our beloved people to support these institutions, is one of the most pleasing tokens we have of His continued goodness towards us. We find great consolation in the fact, that our Churches and our country are presented to God in frequent prayer by thousands of grateful hearts whom our Missionaries have been the means of leading to the knowledge of Christ.

Your Missions are of great importance to the future history of the New World, and the success which has hitherto attended them we would hail as though it were our own. Fervently do we trust that you will be enabled so to keep pace with the developments of your national enterprise, that in no region, however remote, shall the colonist or the speculator outstrip the messenger of God.

We mark, too, with pleasure, your operations in Liberia ; and while we regret that our own resources have not enabled us to attempt a Mission among the fearfully numerous population of China, we sincerely congratulate you on having anticipated us in that most important field, and earnestly do we pray that your labourers there may reap a glorious harvest of souls !

Your Mission among the Germans seems to us to wear an aspect of very peculiar interest. That you should already have more than eighty German Preachers, and number two thousand con-

verted Romanists in your own German Churches, are facts of great encouragement, and great moment. Considering the late religious deterioration of Germany, and its actual state of political and social disorganization, it is obvious that for its future welfare no solid basis can be found but in an extensive spread of pure religion and undefiled. God may in His mercy be preparing other agencies to take part in evangelizing those nations; but surely He does purpose some good thing towards them, when in your distant regions He is calling so many of their emigrants to know His name, and inflaming so many of them with the desire to preach His word. Cordially would we join you in urging those beloved German brethren, whom your diligence has united to our privileged Methodist family, to be zealous, and prayerful, and hopeful too, that the work which God has wrought among them may have a wide and glorious re-action upon their now-distracted fatherland.

Your statements respecting your literature, and your educational efforts, we welcome with sincere pleasure. To lead, to instruct, to train, and to elevate the mind of our respective populations, ought to be our continual effort. We on our part are endeavouring to sustain and render more widely-influential our Connexional literature. In the establishment of week-day schools we have also, of late, made considerable efforts, and have had in those efforts much encouragement. We expect soon to have erected in London a College for training Teachers, which, we hope, will not be second in character to any similar institution in the country. Another movement for the benefit of our youth has lately been originated. Those who have ceased to attend the Sunday-schools, have too often lost all church-connexion with us. To retain our hold upon them, Catechumen-classes are established, in which the youth of both sexes are carefully taught in Scripture doctrine; and already very hopeful results have accrued.

Our Theological Institutions, to which you allude, continue to afford us great satisfaction; and we hope that, by the blessing of God, they will be the means of giving us many advantages in our ministry, and in all the branches of our work dependent on the ministry.

We would duly acknowledge your assurance that, as far as your authority can control the course of individuals, we shall not suffer any disturbance of our discipline or our harmony; and on our part you may be assured that all your Church usages and claims shall be well respected. With thankfulness to God we declare our conviction that our Conference has never been marked by a stronger spirit of union, of mutual confidence, and mutual love, than during the sittings of this year. Our public acts have been all performed with a remarkably close approach to unanimity; and we shall proceed anew to our work, looking for large results in the conversion of sinners to God.

Had it seemed good to you to send one of your number to represent you amongst us, we should have received him with much respect and affection; and we shall ever rejoice to cultivate that spirit of mutual esteem and love by which we hope the two Churches will ever remain united.

Finally, beloved Brethren, we commend you, your people, and your endeavours to the blessing of our adorable Lord. For you, as for ourselves, we earnestly pray that your ministry may be ever fruitful, your souls ever filled with the Spirit, your Churches ever walking in the fear of God, and the wicked around ever falling under the sword of the Spirit, and coming in, subdued and penitent, to swell the hosts of our great King. Strong in the strength of God, full of the fire that cometh from above, persuaded that He who wrought by our Fathers is equally willing to work by us, and touched with intense pity for souls in danger, may you proceed from strength to strength, the Lord making you always to triumph.

Signed on behalf and by order of the Conference,

ISAAC KEELING, JOHN FARRAR, WILLIAM BARTON,	} <i>Sub-Secretaries.</i>
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Manchester, August 14th, 1849.

APPENDIX.

I.

ACCOUNTS OF THE CONTINGENT FUND FOR THE
YEAR ENDING AT THE CONFERENCE OF 1849.

1.—ORDINARIES.

CIRCUITS.	Nos.	Yearly Collection.			Grants.			July Collection.		
		£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
<i>I. London District.</i>										
First London.....	2760	79	0	0				44	4	2
Richmond.....	130	6	15	6				3	0	1
Uxbridge.....	100	1	10	0				2	2	0
Second London.....	1771	54	3	0				25	0	0
Third London and Thames Mission.....	2609	58	10	0	40	0	0	41	12	5
Welsh.....	40									
Fourth London.....	1699	42	0	0				25	1	0
Fifth London.....	1908	46	0	0				34	17	6
Sixth London.....	2266	60	0	0				41	16	6
Seventh London.....	1333	32	6	0				16	12	6
Eighth London.....	1562	62	4	0				40	17	0
Deptford.....	1371	29	0	0				17	0	0
Hammersmith.....	634	18	0	0				18	13	0
Croydon.....	345	7	9	0	30	0	0	6	6	0
Barking, &c.....	260	4	18	6	40	0	0	4	14	0
Leyton.....	93	2	6	6	30	0	0	2	9	6
Ware, &c.....	203	3	14	0	65	0	0	3	0	0
Cambridge.....	491	10	0	0				10	15	7
Windsor.....	301	9	0	0	38	0	0	8	0	0
Chelmsford.....	236	5	2	6	40	0	0	3	10	9
Maldon.....	218	3	17	6	50	0	0	3	0	0
Colchester.....	713	10	0	0				11	1	9
Manningtree.....	1013	20	0	0				8	3	0
Ipswich.....	606	11	13	0	20	0	0	8	10	9
Hastings.....	390	9	0	0	42	0	0	11	0	0
Sevenoaks.....	307	8	0	6				7	6	6
Tunbridge-Wells.....	512	11	8	9	24	0	0	15	3	9
Lewes, &c.....	194	5	0	0	32	0	0	4	0	0
Brighton.....	646	18	0	0				20	9	3
St. Alban's.....	592	8	0	0	24	0	0	7	0	0
Guildford, &c.....	243	7	2	6	136	0	0	6	14	0
Dorking, &c.....	71	2	5	6	123	0	0	1	10	0
Additional Subscriptions ..		23	15	5						
Totals.....	25617	670	2	2	734	0	0	453	11	0
<i>II. Bedford and Northamp- ton District.</i>										
Bedford and Ampthill	1135	21	12	4				15	0	0
Leighton-Buzzard.....	1144	20	5	0				12	0	0
Luton.....	948	22	1	0				14	6	8

	1848	1849	July Collection		
			£	s	d
...	12	1	6
...	7	3	6
...	8	8	0
...	4	5	0
...	10	0	6
...	11	10	0
...	3	3	0
...	7	0	0
...	4	0	0
...	6	6	0
...	4	6	0
...	3	10	0
...	3	13	0
...	7	0	0
...	3	1	3
...	136	11	3
...	5	3	4
...	7	13	7
...	15	15	0
...	13	10	0
...	4	12	4
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...	3	0	6
...	7	10	0
...	5	2	10
...	3	14	1
...	122	12	0
...	9	15	0
...	4	0	0
...	5	10	0
...	12	3	6
...	4	18	0
...	4	10	0
...	8	16	6
...	3	8	3
...	3	17	0
...	4	10	0
...	7	10	0
...	5	3	0
...	6	15	0
...	7	10	0
...	7	15	0
...	8	0	0
...	4	10	6
...	6	10	0
...	118	1	9

CIRCUITS.		Yearly Collection.			Grants.			July Collection.			
		Noa.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
V. Oxford District.											
Oxford	555	8	10	0					5	0	0
High-Wycombe	514	7	16	0					6	1	6
Witney	488	9	2	6	43	4	0		6	2	0
Aylesbury	650	7	15	0					7	0	0
Banbury	505	9	5	0					5	12	6
Kineton	254	4	7	6					2	10	0
Newbury	600	15	0	0					12	2	9
Reading	296	8	11	0	46	5	0		8	3	10
Hungerford	755	13	0	0					10	0	0
Watlington	242	2	15	0	19	8	6		3	2	0
Thame	210	2	10	0	27	15	0		1	15	0
Brackley	722	9	0	0	24	18	6		6	0	0
Chipping-Norton	360	6	0	0	25	0	0		5	12	6
Swindon	230	4	10	0	76	11	6		5	9	11
Wantage	429	8	0	0	67	11	6		7	8	2
Totals	6810	116	2	0	330	14	0		92	0	2
VI. Portsmouth District.											
Portsmouth	842	26	0	0					15	17	8
Gosport	173	3	16	0	65	0	0		3	0	0
Salisbury	1064	15	0	0					13	0	0
Poole	938	16	0	0	40	0	0		10	12	0
Ringwood	156	2	12	0	58	0	0		2	11	4
Newport, Isle of Wight ..	930	17	10	3					17	0	0
Southampton, &c.	557	17	10	0	43	0	0		12	10	0
Andover	327	5	15	0	40	0	0		2	2	2
Chichester	167	4	16	0	39	0	0		5	16	6
Additional Subscriptions ..		0	9	0							
Totals	5154	109	8	3	285	0	0		82	9	8
VII. Guernsey District.											
Guernsey, English	437	14	5	11					5	0	0
Guernsey, French	970	13	0	0					6	7	6
Alderney	69	2	5	0	36	5	11		0	5	0
Jersey, English	467	13	0	0	40	0	0		4	14	8
Jersey, French	1282	19	0	0					9	9	0
Totals	3225	61	10	11	76	5	11		25	16	2
VIII. Devonport District.											
Devonport	989	19	10	0					10	10	0
Plymouth	1103	26	10	0					15	1	5
Launceston	1084	18	0	0					6	12	0
Holsworthy	532	7	5	0					2	15	0
Kilkhampton	430	6	3	0					3	0	0
Liskeard	872	13	0	0	40	0	0		5	5	0
Callington	543	8	0	0	24	0	0		5	0	0
Tavistock	750	9	0	0	32	0	0		4	15	0
Camelford	373	7	0	0	66	0	0		3	10	0
Kingsbridge	266	6	0	0	28	0	0		3	10	0
Brixham	220	3	10	0	42	0	0		3	9	0
Ashburton	302	6	15	0	85	15	0		3	10	0
Totals	7464	130	13	0	317	15	0		66	17	5

CIRCUITS.	Nos.	Yearly Collection.	Grants.	July Collection.
		£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.
IX. Cornwall District.				
Redruth.....	1554	16 16 0		6 12 0
Camborne	2098	22 2 0		8 5 0
Falmouth	1021	19 0 0		8 10 0
Truro.....	1513	26 0 0		10 9 0
Gwennap	1684	10 10 0	50 0 0	3 0 0
St. Agnes	957	8 15 6	28 0 0	4 6 0
St. Austle	1320	16 1 1	24 0 0	11 1 0
St. Mawes.....	332	6 0 0		3 10 0
Bodmin	920	15 0 0		5 18 0
St. Columb	549	6 5 0	28 0 0	3 1 6
Penzance	1079	30 0 0		12 17 4
St. Just	1580	26 10 0		7 0 0
St. Ives	715	14 3 0		7 19 0
Scilly Islands	108	4 0 0		2 8 6
Helstone	1500	15 12 0	35 0 0	7 7 0
Hayle	1034	15 0 0	34 0 0	5 12 0
Marazion	593	7 0 0		4 0 0
Totals	18557	258 14 7	199 0 0	111 16 4
X. Exeter District.				
Exeter	753	19 4 0		10 3 11
Crediton	78	1 11 0	55 0 0	1 10 0
Tiverton.....	331	5 3 0	18 0 0	6 4 0
Taunton, &c.....	650	15 3 0		9 0 0
Bridgewater	330	7 3 0	20 0 0	4 0 0
South-Petherton	392	6 2 6	40 0 0	4 15 6
Axminster.....	200	4 0 0	20 0 0	6 0 0
Budleigh-Salterton	285	4 10 0	62 0 0	3 2 6
Bridport.....	388	10 10 0	32 0 0	6 5 6
Barnstaple.....	482	8 10 0	40 0 0	6 19 0
South-Moulton.....	270	3 6 6	40 0 0	2 10 0
Bideford	712	10 10 0		7 0 0
Dunster.....	327	7 0 0		3 18 0
Oakhampton.....	215	3 11 10	90 0 0	2 5 0
Teignmouth	351	8 0 0	137 0 0	7 0 0
Totals	5764	114 4 10	554 0 0	80 13 5
XI. Bristol District.				
Bristol, North	2362	65 10 0		30 16 0
Bristol, South	1349	32 0 0		15 14 0
Kingswood	1178	21 0 0		9 4 1
Banwell	695	10 0 0	30 0 0	8 0 0
Stroud	570	9 10 0	10 0 0	7 10 0
Dursley	536	13 1 0	74 0 0	7 17 8
Downend	700	9 5 6	15 3 7	6 0 0
Gloucester.....	540	9 0 0	35 0 0	10 0 0
Tewkesbury	275	6 4 0	55 0 0	5 10 0
Cheltenham	760	26 0 0	35 0 0	15 1 4
Newport, Monmouth.....	875	18 0 0		11 0 0
Cardiff	324	10 0 0	30 0 0	6 0 0

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		£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
Bridgend	129	3	10	6	25	0	0	2	6	0
Monmouth	410	7	7	7	30	0	0	4	10	0
Abergavenny.....	918	11	15	0				9	0	6
Ledbury and Forest of Dean	440	7	3	1	42	0	0	4	0	0
Hereford	327	5	12	6	43	0	0	4	7	0
Additional Subscriptions ..		2	0	0						
Totals	12388	266	19	2	424	3	7	156	16	7
XII. Bath District.										
Bath	1069	27	0	0				14	0	2
Bradford, Wilts.....	712	12	5	0				8	5	6
Midsomer-Norton.....	1804	22	0	0				12	4	0
Frome	791	10	15	0				7	1	6
Warminster	106	1	15	0	68	10	0	1	1	0
Melksham	552	7	2	6	24	0	0	8	0	0
Devizes	173	4	7	0	48	10	0	3	3	0
Shepton-Mallet.....	1024	12	0	0				6	18	7
Sherborne	604	10	10	0				7	12	6
Weymouth	660	14	12	6				7	13	8
Dorchester.....	394	8	0	0	36	10	0	3	3	2
Shaftesbury	915	13	8	0				6	15	0
Glastonbury	296	6	0	0	26	10	0	2	14	1
Totals	9100	149	15	0	204	0	0	88	12	2
XIII. First South Wales District.										
<i>(English Preaching.)</i>										
Swansea.....	504	11	0	0	36	0	0	9	0	0
Merthyr-Tydvil	916	16	0	0				9	0	0
Brecon	228	7	10	0	36	0	0	6	10	6
Carmarthen	227	8	15	0	30	0	0	7	17	0
Haverford-West	610	13	7	6				8	2	3
Pembroke	577	7	0	0	20	0	0	5	10	0
Totals	3062	63	12	6	122	0	0	45	19	9
XIV. Second South Wales District.										
<i>(Welsh Preaching.)</i>										
Merthyr-Tydvil	570	11	11	6				3	0	0
Crickhowell	438	8	14	0				2	5	0
Cardiff	206	4	15	0	39	11	0	1	13	0
Cowbridge	120	2	14	6	29	16	7	0	16	6
Brecon	155	4	11	6	35	7	9	1	10	0
Llandilo.....	182	4	7	6	33	4	0	1	7	0
Carmarthen	301	6	12	0	49	11	6	2	7	0
Swansea	183	5	5	0	21	9	6	1	10	0
Cardigan	440	6	2	6	62	6	6	1	3	6
St. David's	104	2	15	0	50	9	6	0	16	0
Aberystwith	604	9	14	6				1	10	0
Machynlleth	456	5	12	6	39	0	6	1	6	6
Llanidloes.....	412	7	2	6	69	3	6	1	15	0
Totals	4171	79	18	0	430	0	4	20	19	6

CIRCUITS.		Yearly Collection.			Grants.			July Collection.		
	Noa.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
XV. North Wales District.										
<i>(Welsh Preaching.)</i>										
Ruthin and Denbigh	502	8	10	0	44	0	0	2	15	0
Llangollen.....	414	5	0	0	10	0	0	2	1	0
Corwen	205	2	10	0	54	0	0	0	16	0
Llanrwst	639	10	5	0	38	0	0	2	16	0
Holywell	647	7	0	0	35	0	0	2	0	0
Mold	401	6	12	0	20	0	0	2	3	0
Llanasa, near Holywell ..	385	4	12	0				1	10	0
Beaumaris.....	382	5	0	0	38	0	0	1	6	0
Amlwch.....	422	5	0	0	38	0	0	1	2	0
Carnarvon	350	3	15	0				1	7	6
Bangor	499	5	13	0	18	0	0	1	14	0
Pwllheli.....	282	3	13	0	46	0	0	1	8	0
Barmouth	354	5	3	0	54	0	0	1	6	0
Dolgelly.....	489	5	6	0	71	1	0	1	6	0
Llanfyllin ..	554	10	10	0				2	2	0
Llanfair.....	300	6	17	0				1	14	0
Totals	6825	95	6	0	466	1	0	27	6	6
XVI. Birmingham and Shrewsbury District.										
Birmingham, West	1897	47	8	0				34	2	4
Birmingham, East	1704	31	10	0				20	10	0
West-Bromwich	783	20	0	0				19	3	6
Wednesbury	2577	52	0	0				42	0	0
Walsall	774	17	0	0	40	0	0	14	18	9
Wolverhampton	1412	27	10	0				27	10	0
Dudley	1757	36	0	0				30	0	0
Stourbridge	603	12	16	6	65	10	0	10	5	0
Stourport	675	15	0	0	25	0	0	11	0	0
Worcester	462	11	10	0				7	17	6
Bromsgrove	157	3	7	6	60	0	0	2	0	0
Evesham	354	6	10	0	30	0	0	6	8	0
Redditch	470	9	10	0				7	2	3
Coventry	344	7	0	0	50	0	0	5	10	0
Leamington	425	11	0	0	35	0	0	8	14	0
Stratford-upon-Avon	164	2	6	0	30	0	0	2	10	0
Hinckley	602	6	12	0	40	0	0	6	2	6
Shrewsbury	328	11	10	0	37	10	0	5	0	0
Madeley.....	1078	20	0	0	40	0	0	15	6	0
Wellington	908	12	0	0				9	10	0
Ludlow	598	7	0	0	48	0	0	4	0	0
Kington.....	870	6	10	0	40	12	0	5	10	0
Totals.....	18442	374	0	0	541	12	0	294	19	10
XVII. Macclesfield District.										
Macclesfield	1782	47	0	0				17	3	0
Buxton	500	10	0	0	25	0	0	6	0	0
Congleton	915	16	10	0				8	4	0
Namptwich	617	13	0	0	30	0	0	7	0	0
Northwich.....	763	18	0	0				11	0	0
Burslem.....	900	24	0	0				11	0	0
Tunstall.....	821	15	10	0				6	3	0
Newcastle-under-Lyne ...	800	10	10	0	21	0	0	6	5	0

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		£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
Longton.....	432	9	0	0	35	0	0	7	0	0
Stafford	294	7	0	0	47	0	0	5	5	0
Leek	1035	22	5	0				13	6	0
Uttoxeter	615	11	0	0	24	0	0	11	6	3
Additional Subscriptions..		3	6	6						
Totals.....	9474	207	1	6	182	0	0	109	12	3
XVIII. <i>Liverpool District.</i>										
Liverpool, North	1480	63	0	0				36	0	0
Liverpool, South	2146	79	1	0				32	13	10
Liverpool, Welsh	630	15	7	0				3	16	0
Chester	960	26	10	0				14	16	1
Mold and Buckley-Mount	140	2	5	0	35	0	0	2	0	0
Carnarvon and Bangor....	41	2	2	0	58	0	0	1	18	3
Holyhead	59	1	5	0	16	10	0	1	5	0
Wrexham	341	6	18	0	70	10	0	7	15	6
Whitchurch	412	9	0	0				8	2	0
Warrington	500	12	10	0				9	10	0
Runcorn	773	15	10	0				9	8	6
St. Helen's and Prescot ..	528	11	6	7	60	0	0	8	17	11
Southport and Ormskirk..	454	10	15	0	24	0	0	9	12	6
Wigan	559	10	0	0	10	0	0	8	1	0
Preston and Chorley.....	1266	30	0	0				20	5	0
Garstang	495	9	15	0				7	10	0
Lancaster	492	10	10	0	20	0	0	7	9	0
Newtown	600	9	1	4	50	0	0	7	6	0
Totals.....	11876	324	10	11	344	0	0	196	6	7
XIX. <i>Manchester & Bolton District.</i>										
First Manchester	1450	54	0	0				28	16	6
Second Manchester	1747	53	0	0				31	2	0
Third Manchester.....	1350	40	5	0				16	12	0
Fourth Manchester	851	27	0	0				9	10	0
Manchester, Welsh	151	2	13	0	20	0	0	0	14	0
Fifth Manchester	1180	60	0	0				30	10	0
Altrincham	474	13	13	0				9	0	0
Stockport, North	956	24	0	0				11	10	0
Stockport, South	820	17	3	6				5	16	6
New-Mills.....	527	12	0	0	20	0	0	4	17	0
Glossop	715	10	5	6	40	0	0	4	13	4
Ashton-under-Lyne.....	1050	16	0	0	57	0	0	9	0	0
Oldham	770	12	10	4	15	0	0	11	0	0
Delph, Saddleworth	167	4	10	0	40	0	0	1	19	0
Bolton	2155	46	12	6				22	1	0
Rochdale	1310	20	0	0				11	10	0
Burnley	1294	24	4	0				13	7	6
Bury	1092	21	0	0				10	8	6
Blackburn.....	601	9	15	0	11	13	4	7	0	0
Haslingden	943	13	11	0				10	10	0
Bacup	1365	21	10	0				10	6	0
Colne.....	753	9	10	0	60	0	0	6	16	0
Clitheroe	553	9	16	9	25	0	0	5	3	4
Leigh.....	400	5	17	0	15	0	0	5	2	0
Totals.....	22674	528	16	7	303	13	4	277	4	8

CIRCUITS.	Nos.	Yearly Collection. £. s. d.	Grants. £. s. d.	July Collection. £. s. d.
XX. Halifax & Bradford District.				
Halifax	2037	34 10 6	40 0 0	15 0 0
Huddersfield, First	1424	36 0 0		19 13 0
Huddersfield, Second	1403	25 0 0		14 0 0
Holmfirth	909	10 5 6		8 2 0
Sowerby-Bridge	1207	18 0 0		9 12 10
Todmorden	1426	10 12 0		7 14 0
Denby-Dale	604	5 10 0		3 15 0
Bradford, West	1790	34 10 0		18 0 0
Bradford, East	2153	32 0 0		21 17 6
Great-Horton	1864	11 4 6		7 7 0
Keighley	1742	21 11 0		14 5 0
Bingley	1105	10 0 0		6 0 0
Shipley	432	5 14 0		2 8 0
Skipton	532	7 0 0	51 8 10	3 6 0
Addingham	551	8 0 0	35 0 0	5 7 0
Grassington	230	3 3 0	39 14 10	1 10 6
Settle	311	3 2 0	39 14 10	2 12 6
Totals	19220	276 2 6	205 18 6	160 10 4
XXI. Leeds District.				
First Leeds	2020	68 0 0		22 15 6
Second Leeds	2021	70 0 0		28 3 9
Third Leeds	1569	32 9 9		14 0 0
Fourth Leeds	1752	35 5 9		12 9 0
Bramley	1752	21 9 6		10 2 10
Wakefield	2165	35 0 0	24 0 0	21 0 0
Birstal	1688	20 10 0		10 9 5
Dewsbury	1536	18 14 0		12 14 9
Knaresborough	909	19 5 0		11 0 0
Otley	854	14 6 0		7 5 0
Pateley-Bridge	972	11 11 0	8 0 0	6 0 0
Pontefract	1577	33 17 0		22 14 6
Cleckheaton	803	10 12 0	40 0 0	6 0 0
Yeadon	812	7 10 0	21 0 0	3 14 3
Woodhouse-Grove	530	5 15 0	40 0 0	3 14 0
Totals	20960	404 5 0	133 0 0	192 3 0
XXII. Sheffield District.				
Sheffield, West	2760	70 10 0		35 5 0
Sheffield, East	2550	58 5 0		25 0 0
Chesterfield	1188	14 16 0		8 0 0
Bakewell	448	7 15 6	19 3 6	4 0 0
Bradwell	552	4 18 6		4 0 0
Rotherham	2112	36 6 6		19 3 0
Doncaster	1800	28 0 0		18 0 0
Barnsley	912	17 10 0		13 3 0
Retford	1261	18 10 0		10 12 0
Worksop	572	8 0 0		5 12 0
Totals	14155	264 11 6	19 3 6	142 15 0

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XXIII. Nottingham and Derby District.

	Noa.	Yearly Collection.			Grants.			July Collection.		
		£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
Nottingham, South	1560	31	0	0				15	0	0
Nottingham, North	1871	30	3	0				19	18	6
Ilkestone	670	7	7	0	50	0	0	6	4	0
Mansfield	1075	14	16	0				12	3	6
Newark	1130	28	15	0				15	10	0
Bingham	678	11	0	0				6	8	0
Leicester	1070	12	8	0				12	10	0
Melton-Mowbray	880	14	10	0				10	10	0
Oakham	296	5	10	0	60	0	0	4	18	6
Stamford	320	6	8	0	33	0	0	5	5	0
Grantham	954	15	6	0				11	0	0
Peterborough	724	10	5	0				7	7	0
Loughborough	950	12	10	0				9	0	0
Castle-Donington	570	8	10	6	24	0	0	6	12	0
Derby	1628	38	12	0				27	0	0
Ashbourne	316	6	10	0	10	0	0	6	10	0
Belper	919	13	12	0				7	16	6
Ripley	1000	11	9	6				6	2	0
Ashby-de-la-Zouch	852	16	8	0				13	5	0
Barton-on-Trent	935	14	0	0	15	0	0	12	0	0
Cromford	780	10	10	0	37	12	0	5	14	0
Totals	19178	319	10	0	229	12	0	220	14	0

XXIV. Lincoln District.

Lincoln	2436	41	10	0				18	0	0
Sleaford	1240	21	0	0				13	12	0
Market-Raisen	1232	18	5	0				7	5	0
Louth	2642	57	10	0				25	10	0
Horncastle	1509	31	11	0				16	7	8
Alford	1074	22	13	0				11	11	0
Spilsby	856	18	10	0				8	10	0
Boston	1190	23	10	0				14	10	0
Wainfleet	640	10	16	10				7	0	0
Spalding	1163	15	10	0	40	0	0	10	10	0
Bourne	357	5	14	6	82	0	0	3	7	3
Coningaby	501	9	12	0				5	0	0
Additional Subscriptions ..		3	18	8						
Totals	14840	280	1	0	122	0	0	141	2	11

XXV. Hull District.

Hull, West	1959	60	0	0				21	5	6
Hull, East	1790	49	0	0				16	17	0
Beverley	777	19	10	0				11	10	0
Driffield	941	18	0	0				11	0	0
Howden	1067	22	11	3				10	0	0
Patrington	480	8	12	6	29	0	0	4	0	0
Hornsea	500	8	13	0	55	0	0	5	5	0
Grimsby	1561	35	0	0				19	0	0
Gainsborough	1130	23	10	0	16	0	0	12	5	0
Epworth	924	13	0	0				7	19	0
Snaith	1300	24	0	0				16	0	0
Brigg	953	17	10	0				8	8	6
Barton	1145	21	11	0				11	15	0
Bridlington	1500	28	10	0				15	10	0
Additional Subscriptions ..		0	10	0						
Totals	16027	349	17	9	100	0	0	170	15	0

CIRCUITS.	Noa.	Yearly Collection.			Grants.			July Collection.		
		£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
XXVI. York District.										
York	3058	78	0	0				30	0	0
Tadcaster	930	24	10	0				10	2	0
Pocklington	872	17	10	0				9	10	0
Malton	1401	22	18	6				10	11	3
Easingwold	1471	22	0	0	0	10	0	11	15	6
Scarborough	1751	36	12	0				25	10	0
Pickering	1167	20	0	0	2	10	0	8	0	0
Thirsk	1182	21	10	0				9	0	0
Ripon	950	12	0	0	1	0	0	8	0	0
Selby	1168	27	5	0	17	5	0	14	5	0
Totals	13950	282	5	6	21	5	0	136	13	9
XXVII. Whitby and Darlington District.										
Whitby	1037	25	0	0				10	0	0
Stokesley	650	14	0	0	55	0	0	8	8	6
Darlington	667	18	10	0				12	7	0
Stockton	950	25	0	0				16	13	0
Barnard-Castle	639	10	10	0	80	0	0	6	11	0
Bishop-Auckland	467	10	0	0	24	0	0	5	0	0
Middleham	649	9	1	0	22	10	0	4	14	0
Richmond	375	7	0	0	42	10	0	3	16	0
Reeth	700	8	0	0	40	0	0	2	3	0
Bedale	920	11	0	0				4	5	6
Totals	7054	138	1	0	264	0	0	73	18	0
XXVIII. Newcastle District.										
Newcastle	1615	39	0	0				22	10	0
Gateshead	1095	18	11	6				9	2	0
North-Shields	775	14	0	0				7	2	6
Blyth	413	6	10	0				2	12	10
South-Shields	640	9	10	0				5	5	0
Sunderland	1594	38	10	0				20	14	6
Houghton-le-Spring	562	5	11	0				4	14	0
Durham	1047	12	0	0				9	0	0
Wolsingham	605	8	7	6				5	2	6
Hexham	608	8	5	0				7	4	0
Shotley-Bridge	680	11	10	0				6	16	0
Alston	640	7	2	0				4	12	0
Allendale-Town	517	5	18	8				2	2	2
Alnwick	115	4	3	0	18	0	0	1	4	0
Berwick	83	1	17	0	40	0	0	0	12	6
Morpeth	53	2	6	6	58	17	2	0	10	6
Totals	11042	193	2	2	116	17	2	109	4	6
XXIX. Carlisle District.										
Carlisle	340	11	11	0	40	0	0	7	17	6
Brampton	190	3	2	0	30	7	11	2	0	0
Whitehaven	358	4	0	0	35	7	0	1	12	0
Workington	444	5	4	7				3	13	0
Appleby	534	5	5	0				3	10	0
Penrith	748	15	7	6				8	7	0

CIRCUITS.	Nos.	Yearly Collection.			Grants.			July Collection.		
		£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
Wigton and Keswick	293	5	15	6	51	7	0	3	9	2
Kendal	755	7	2	0				6	5	0
Ulverstone.....	178	3	18	6	49	0	0	3	10	0
Dumfries	58	1	15	6	60	0	0	0	17	6
Totals	3898	63	1	7	266	1	11	41	1	2
XXX. Isle of Man District.										
Douglas and Castletown ..	1577	22	0	0				9	5	0
Ramsay and Peel	1897	16	16	0				4	15	0
Totals	3474	38	16	0				14	0	0
XXXI. Edinburgh and Aberdeen District.										
Edinburgh.....	559	13	0	0	173	0	0	4	0	0
Dunbar	62	1	10	0	24	0	0	0	17	0
Glasgow.....	897	16	15	0				4	3	6
Greenock	80	2	0	0				0	15	0
Airdrie and Stirling	512	5	0	0	35	0	0	1	10	0
Aberdeen	375	8	10	9	70	0	0	2	7	0
Ayr	126	2	11	0	52	0	0	0	15	0
Dundee	103	3	5	0	40	10	9	1	0	0
Perth	80	2	5	0	56	0	0	1	0	0
Arbroath	90	3	3	0	54	0	0	1	10	0
Banff.....	47	1	7	0	52	0	0	0	10	0
Inverness	52	1	16	0	54	0	0	0	16	0
Totals	2983	61	2	9	610	10	9	19	3	6
XXXII. Shetland Isles District.										
Lerwick.....	569	5	18	6	210	10	0	1	12	0
Walls.....	445	1	0	0	85	0	0	0	12	0
Northmavin, &c.	166	1	0	0	83	10	0	0	10	0
North Isles	156	1	5	0	50	0	0	0	10	0
Totals	1336	9	3	6	429	0	0	3	4	0

**GENERAL VIEW OF THE NUMBERS, YEARLY AND JULY
COLLECTIONS, AND ORDINARY DEFICIENCIES, 1849.**

DISTRICTS.	Nos.	Yearly Collection.			Grants.			July Collection.		
		£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
London	25617	670	2	2	734	0	0	453	11	0
Bedford & North- ampton	10792	187	5	4	339	1	10	136	11	5
Kent.....	7485	165	15	3	357	5	0	122	12	0
Norwich and Lynn	11277	168	19	0	288	10	0	118	1	9
Oxford	6810	116	2	0	330	14	0	92	0	2
Portsmouth	5154	109	8	3	285	0	0	82	9	8
Guernsey.....	3225	61	10	11	76	5	11	25	16	2
Devonport	7464	130	13	0	317	15	0	66	17	5
Cornwall	18557	258	14	7	199	0	0	111	16	4
Exeter	5764	114	4	10	554	0	0	80	13	5
Bristol.....	12388	266	19	2	424	3	7	156	16	7
Bath.....	9100	149	15	0	204	0	0	88	12	2
1st South Wales..	3062	63	12	6	122	0	0	45	19	9
2d South Wales..	4171	79	18	0	430	0	4	20	19	6
North Wales	6825	95	6	0	466	1	0	27	6	6
Birmingham and Shrewsbury....	18442	374	0	0	541	12	0	294	19	10
Macclesfield	9474	207	1	6	182	0	0	109	12	3
Liverpool.....	11876	324	10	11	344	0	0	196	6	7
Manchester and Bolton	22674	528	16	7	303	13	4	277	4	8
Halifax & Bradford	19220	276	2	6	205	18	6	160	10	4
Leeds	20960	404	5	0	133	0	0	192	3	0
Sheffield	14155	264	11	6	19	3	6	142	15	0
Nottingham and Derby	19178	319	10	0	229	12	0	220	14	0
Lincoln	14840	280	1	0	122	0	0	141	2	11
Hull.....	16027	349	17	9	100	0	0	170	15	0
York	13950	282	5	6	21	5	0	136	13	9
Whitby and Dar- lington.....	7054	138	1	0	264	0	0	73	18	0
Newcastle	11042	193	2	2	116	17	2	109	4	6
Carlisle	3898	63	1	7	266	1	11	41	1	2
Isle of Man.....	3474	38	16	0				14	0	0
Edinburgh and Aberdeen.....	2983	61	2	9	610	10	9	19	3	6
Shetland Isles....	1336	9	3	6	429	0	0	3	4	0
Totals	348274	6752	15	3	9016	10	10	3933	12	4

2.—EXTRAORDINARIES.

(1.)—TRAVELLING EXPENSES.

	£.	s.	d.
Brother Quick, from St. Austle to London	4	0	0
Owen, from Barnard-Castle to Dorking	3	0	0
Worth, from Banbury to Sheerness	4	0	0
J. Dawson, from Alnwick to Tenterden.....	5	0	0
Wedlock, from Gosport to Sittingbourne	5	0	0
Ditto, in his Circuit	4	0	0
Brothwood, from Wellingborough to Mildenhall	2	0	0
W. Jewett, from Arbroath to High-Wycombe.....	6	0	0
Stevens, from Uttoxeter to Banbury	4	0	0
Bramford, from Swaffham to Kineton	3	0	0
Turvey, from Horsham to Wantage	3	0	0
Beard, from Holsworthy to Gosport	3	10	0
Ninian Barr, from Howden to Guernsey	5	0	0
S. Brown, from Downend to Ashburton	3	0	0
H. Young, from Helstone to Devonport	2	2	0
J. Payne, from Lewes to Holsworthy	5	0	0
Locke, from Guildford to Liskeard	5	0	0
Branston, from South-Petherton to St. Austle	5	0	0
Killick, from Ilkestone to Hayle	7	0	0
J. Gregory, from Devizes to Marazion.....	5	0	0
Catterick, from Kington to South-Petherton	6	0	0
Hugill, from Oakhampton to South-Petherton.....	1	15	0
Ritchie, from Hereford to Barnstaple	3	0	0
Sutch, from Ware to South-Moulton.....	3	0	0
Bestall, from Manningtree to Oakhampton	7	0	0
S. W. Robinson, from Kingsbridge to Bridgewater.....	1	10	0
C. J. Williams, from Hull to Bridgewater.....	3	3	0
Crump, from Oakhampton to Banwell	2	10	0
Anderson, from High-Wycombe to Dursley.....	2	15	0
Bissell, from Isle of Wight to Downend	2	18	0
Clement, from Dorking to Warminster.....	3	0	0
Rouch, from Cardiff to Devizes	2	17	0
Ebenezer Morgan, from Kidwelly to Tredegar	1	10	0
Joseph Jones, from Aberystwith to Cardiff	1	10	0
E. Richards, from St. David's to Llandilo	1	15	0
J. Herbert, from Cardiff to Kidwelly.....	1	10	0
W. Rowlands, from Tredegar to Machynlleth	5	0	0
J. Bartley, from Barmouth to Denbigh.....	1	10	0
D. Williams, from Newmarket to Ruthin	1	5	0
H. Jones, from Denbigh to Beaumaris	1	3	0
E. Pugh from Llangollen to Bangor	1	0	0
R. Jones, from Llanrwst to Pwllheli	1	5	0
J. Hughes, from Holywell to Dolgelly	3	0	0
W. Jones, from Bangor to Llangifni.....	1	0	0
W. Culcheth, from Croydon to Evesham.....	4	15	0
Vibert, from Merthyr-Tydvil to Hinckley.....	7	10	0

TRAVELLING EXPENSES,—*Continued.*

	£.	s.	d.
Brother Mood, from Framlingham to Macclesfield	2	10	0
G. B. Mellor, from Hayle to Stoke-upon-Trent	3	0	0
John Jones, 3d, from London to Liverpool	2	10	0
John Bowman, from Newtown to Bangor.....	2	10	0
Eaton, from Holt to Oswestry	6	0	0
W. Coultas, from Wrexham to Lancaster.....	2	0	0
Thomas Turner, from Gwennap to Colne.....	6	0	0
Garrett, from South-Petherton to Holmfirth.....	2	0	0
Buckley, from Oswestry to Ilkestone	3	10	0
Dalby, from Kettering to Ilkestone	3	0	0
D. Cornforth, from Dunster to Loughborough.....	3	0	0
Floyd, from Bradford (Wiltshire) to Sleaford	10	0	0
Oyston, from the Isle of Wight to Spilsby	3	0	0
Croft, from Barnard-Castle to Bourne	5	0	0
S. Rowe, from Durham to Pocklington.....	2	0	0
E. Horton, from Canterbury to Pickering.....	5	0	0
Barr, from Ashford to Thirsk.....	10	0	0
Luddington, from Brampton to Alnwick	2	0	0
Bowman, from Bedale to Berwick.....	4	0	0
T. J. Walker, from Alston to Brampton	1	0	0
J. Elam, from Towcester to Wigton	1	0	0
Exton, from Holmfirth to Glasgow.....	4	10	0
P. Clarke, from Thame to Stirling.....	8	0	0
T. H. Hill, from Banff to Airdrie	2	0	0
Samuel, from Sevenoaks to Aberdeen	12	0	0
Shelton, from Shetland to Perth.....	7	0	0
Warters, from Perth to Inverness	3	0	0
Farquhar, to Shetland.....	10	0	0
Pridham, to Shetland	10	0	0
	£292	3	0

(2.)—AFFLICTIONS.

	£.	s.	d.
Brother F. S. Keeling, (Maldon,) for personal and family afflictions	15	0	0
Shaw, (Guildford,) severe family afflictions	10	0	0
Bloomfield, (Biggleswade,) for severe personal affliction.....	9	0	0
Ingham, (Newport,) for personal and family affliction	4	0	0
Worth, for the continued peculiar affliction of his son.....	15	0	0
Brothwood, (Mildenhall,) for family affliction	5	0	0
Stevens, (Banbury,) for peculiar and protracted personal and family affliction	25	0	0
Baker, (late,) (Reading,) for funeral expenses.....	12	0	0
Denham, (Watlington,) for family affliction.....	10	0	0
Mann, (Brackley,) for family affliction	5	0	0
W. Baker, (Chipping-Norton,) for the severe and increasing illness of his son	15	0	0
Beard, (Gosport,) for family affliction	4	0	0
Sanders, (Ringwood,) for very heavy affliction	10	0	0
Groves, (late,) for funeral expenses	12	0	0
Moody, (Bodmin,) for severe family affliction	7	0	0
M. Andrew, (Falmouth,) on account of long personal affliction...	10	0	0
Carvosso, (St. Mawes,) for severe, protracted, and expensive family affliction	25	0	0
J. Nowell, 2d, (Tiverton,) for personal affliction	4	0	0

AFFLICTIONS,—Continued.

	£.	s.	d.
Brother W. Thomas, (Budleigh-Salterton,) for severe and protracted personal affliction.....	10	0	0
Evans, (Stroud,) for peculiar and heavy family affliction	20	0	0
Anderson, (Dursley,) for protracted and family affliction	5	0	0
Edwards, (Somerset,) towards meeting the expense of family affliction	5	0	0
H. B. Brown, (Kingswood,) for very heavy personal affliction ...	10	0	0
J. Lees, (Melksham,) for severe and protracted family affliction	15	0	0
A. Barber, for peculiarly painful family affliction.....	15	0	0
T. Aubrey, (Merthyr-Tydvil,) for heavy family affliction	10	0	0
D. Morgan, (late,) (Cowbridge,) for severe personal affliction.....	10	0	0
Ditto, funeral expenses	12	0	0
John Rees, (Brecon,) for family affliction.....	5	0	0
R. Williams, (Aberystwith,) for severe family affliction	4	0	0
D. Gravel, (Llanrwst,) for personal and family affliction	5	0	0
J. R. Chambers, (Llanrwst,) for protracted family affliction	10	0	0
J. Hughes, (Dolgelly,) for a most distressing and protracted family affliction	50	0	0
R. Jones, 1st, (late,) (Llanfyllin,) for severe and protracted family affliction	20	0	0
Ditto, funeral expenses	12	0	0
Rought, (Stourbridge,) for family afflictions.....	10	0	0
Culcheth, (Evesham,) for family afflictions	10	0	0
F. Barker, (Ludlow,) for family afflictions.....	10	0	0
S. Taylor, (Whitchurch,) for severe family affliction	5	0	0
J. S. Jones, (Whitchurch,) for severe personal affliction.....	5	0	0
W. O. Booth, (Manchester, 4th,) for peculiar affliction of his son...	20	0	0
C. Radcliffe, (Dewsbury,) for severe personal affliction	8	0	0
Allowed to the Widow and family of the late Brother C. Taylor, left in dependent circumstances	15	0	0
Brother Taylor, (late,) funeral expenses	12	0	0
England, (Sleaford,) for severe personal affliction	5	0	0
E. Stokes, (Gainsborough,) for personal and family affliction.....	7	10	0
R. Bryant, (Brigg,) for protracted personal and family affliction	10	0	0
W. Wilkinson, (Easingwold,) for severe family affliction.....	15	0	0
Horton, (Pickering,) for severe personal affliction	5	0	0
Stepney, (Thirsk,) for personal and family affliction.....	7	0	0
J. Willis, (Bishop-Auckland,) for severe and protracted personal affliction	12	0	0
Bowman, (Berwick,) for severe and protracted personal and family affliction	10	10	0
Exton, (Glasgow,) for personal and family affliction.....	10	0	0
Paterson, (Ayr,) for personal and family affliction	5	0	0
	£597	0	0

(3.)—FURNITURE.

	£.	s.	d.
North-Walsham	20	0	0
Cheltenham (second house)	20	0	0
Pembroke	30	0	0
Longton	30	0	0
Glasgow	20	0	0
	£120	0	0

(4.)—MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES.

	£.	s.	d.
Expenses of two Minor District-Meetings in London	8	18	6
Brother J. Piggott, carriage of boxes on becoming a Supernumerary	1	3	0
Supplying Brother Stevens's place in Banbury.....	8	8	0
Brother W. Baker, towards the keep of a horse	10	0	0
Supplying the place of the late Brother Groves in Salisbury	16	16	0
Supplying Brother Blackwell's place in Newport, Isle of Wight ...	8	8	0
Supplying Brother H. Hicks's place in Tavistock.....	20	0	0
Supplying Brother M. Andrew's place in Falmouth.....	10	10	0
Expenses of a Minor District-Meeting in Gwennap.....	3	1	0
Supplying Brother S. W. Robinson's place in Bridgewater.....	13	0	0
Supplying late Brother Greenwood's place in Oakhampton.....	18	0	0
Supplying late Brother L. Lewis's place, deficient last year	4	10	0
Expenses of a Minor District-Meeting in Bridgewater.....	3	7	0
Brother Catterick, towards the keep of a horse.....	10	0	0
Brother Fisher, carriage of boxes on becoming a Supernumerary ...	4	10	0
Brother M'Lean's Assistant in Bristol, North	60	0	0
Brother Worker, a newly-married Minister, omitted last year.....	40	0	0
Brother A. Ward, a newly-married Minister, omitted last year	11	13	4
Brother Thomas Payne, towards keeping a horse.....	10	0	0
Widow Radford, in lieu of her claim to the house in Midsomer-			
Norton	20	0	0
Brother John Martin, a newly-married Minister, omitted last year...	17	10	0
Brother E. Hughes, carriage of boxes on becoming a Supernumerary	3	0	0
Brother R. Owen, towards the keep of a horse.....	10	0	0
Brother E. Jones, 1st, carriage of boxes on becoming a Supernu-			
merary	2	15	0
Supplying late Brother D. Morgan's place in Cowbridge	13	0	0
Brother Lot Hughes, towards the keep of a horse	10	0	0
Supplying the place of the late Brother Robert Jones, 1st, Llanfyllin	10	0	0
Supplying Brother Haigh's place in Evesham	10	10	0
Supplying Brother Thomas Hickson's place in Glossop	5	5	0
Expenses of a Minor District-Meeting in Manchester.....	9	0	0
Allowed to Brother H. D. Lowe, (Bolton,) under peculiar circum-			
stances	8	8	0
Brother Cousin, carriage of boxes on becoming a Supernumerary...	2	0	0
Brother C. Radcliffe, carriage of boxes on becoming a Supernumerary	1	0	0
Brother Barlow, carriage of boxes on becoming a Supernumerary...	2	10	0
Supplying the place of the late Brother Taylor in Woodhouse-Grove	5	5	0
Expenses of a Special District-Meeting in Louth.....	7	10	0
Supplying Brother Bryant's place in Brigg	15	15	0
Supplying Brother Abraham's place in Bridlington.....	15	15	0
Expenses of a Minor District-Meeting in Whitby	2	16	0
Expenses of the Chairman of the Shetland District in attending the			
Hull Conference	8	8	0
Supplying Brother Palmer's place in Pocklington	5	0	0
Supplying the place of the late Brother Gibson, Coningsby	15	15	0
Brother Standring's expenses to the Conference, and removal of his			
family	10	0	0
Brother John Stephenson's expenses to Shetland, by order of the			
Conference	13	0	0
Chairmen's expenses in visiting solitary Stations.....	32	11	6
The expenses of Brother Burt and Brother John Rigg in attending			
the South Wales District-Meeting	5	5	0

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES,—*Continued.*

	£.	s.	d.
The expenses of Brother Vevera and Brother Newstead in attending the North Wales District-Meeting	4	15	0
The President's Assistant.....	80	0	0
The President's expenses to Scotland.....	5	10	0
Ditto, ditto, to Ireland	7	0	0
Ditto, letters, stationery, and parcels.....	3	10	0
The expenses of the Secretary, Brother Joseph Fowler, to the Irish Conference	11	0	0
Ditto, official letters, parcels, &c.	1	10	0
Expenses of Deputations by order of the Conference	8	15	6
Expenses attending the special examination, in London, of Candidates for our ministry	92	0	6
Printing Pastoral Addresses and other Connexional documents	113	16	6
Printing Yearly and July Collection Papers, and carriage of them into the respective Circuits	33	15	0
Interest of money borrowed, and bank commission.....	136	6	1
Treasurer's stationery, letters, and parcels.....	2	10	0
Ditto, part of expenses in attending the Manchester Conference ...	3	0	0
Brother Bromley's expenses in attending the Manchester Conference	5	0	0
Amount of Miscellaneous Expenses	1,032	11	11
Ditto, Travelling Expenses.....	292	3	0
Ditto, Afflictions	597	0	0
Ditto, Furniture	120	0	0
Total Amount of Extraordinaries, 1849.....	£2,041	14	11

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To, 1849.	The Treasurers of the Contingent Fund.		For Contingent.		By Balance due to the Treasurers, August, 1849.	
	£.	s. d.	£.	s. d.	£.	s. d.
To Yearly Collection, 1849	8,752	10 8			1,010	10 10
To July Collection, 1849	8,000	12 4			0,010	10 10
To Payment from the Executors of the late Robert Scott, Esq., towards the support of the work of God in Scotland						
To Legacy from the late Miss Harvey (less Property-tax)	86	3 10			2,041	14 11
To Executors of the late Mr. John Cleasby, of Kirkby-Stephen (Legacy)	23	6 0			650	0 0
To additional July Collection from Merthyr-Tydvil, last year	14	6 2				
To amount received from the Missionary Committee, in compensation for returned Missionaries, taken into the work at home	1	1 0				
To Cash returned from Warrington and Runcorn, allowed for Furniture	630	0 0				
To Balance due to the Treasurers, August, 1849	20	0 0				
	1,267	1 0				
	£12,727 5 7				£12,727 5 7	

Examined and found correct, with a Balance of One Thousand Two Hundred and Sixty-Seven Pounds, One Shilling, due to the Treasurers.

August 14th, 1849.

JOHN MAYSON,
RICHARD JOHNSON.

II.

ABSTRACT OF THE ACCOUNTS OF THE CHILDREN'S FUND FOR THE YEAR 1848-1849.

Dr.	£.	s.	d.	Cr.	£.	s.	d.
To Balance in the hands of the Treasurer.....	572	6	3	By Cash paid to the Treasurer towards the support of the Kingswood and Woodhouse-Grove Schools, at the rate of £6. 6s. each boy.....	1,398	12	0
To Interest.....	0	7	11	By Cash paid to twenty-four sons of Supernumerary and deceased Ministers on account of education	294	0	0
To Cash received from the London District	96	1	6	By Cash paid to fifty-one daughters for ditto.....	428	8	0
Bedford and Northampton	15	15	0	By Cash paid to the London District.....	17	6	6
Kent	91	7	0	Bedford and Northampton	1	11	6
Norwich and Lynn ...	78	15	0	Kent	6	6	0
Oxford	81	7	6	Oxford	39	18	0
Portsmouth.....	40	19	0	Guernsey	28	14	0
Cornwall.....	285	13	6	Devonport	28	7	0
Bristol.....	28	7	6	Exeter.....	91	7	0
Bath	26	9	0	Bristol.....	27	15	6
North Wales	28	7	0	Bath	8	8	0
Macclesfield	202	2	6	First South Wales.....	91	7	6
Liverpool... ..	109	14	6	Second South Wales...	91	7	0
Manchester and Bolton	250	0	5	Birmingham and Shrewsbury	17	6	6
Halifax and Bradford	227	3	10	Macclesfield	25	4	0
Leeds	318	3	0	Liverpool	15	15	0
Sheffield	181	2	6	Manchester and Bolton	12	12	0
Nottingham and Derby	349	13	0	Halifax and Bradford ...	4	14	6
Lincoln	86	12	6	Lincoln	1	11	6
Hull	85	1	0	Hull	12	6	0
York	47	5	0	York	3	3	0
Whitby and Darlington	81	18	0	Carlisle	83	9	6
Newcastle	22	1	0	Edinburgh and Aberdeen	25	4	0
Isle of Man	50	8	0	Shetland	42	10	6
				By Stationery, Postage, &c.	8	1	11
				By Banker's Commission	2	14	0
				By Balance	549	1	0
	£3,357	1	5		£3,357	1	5

We have examined the above accounts, and find a Balance in the hands of the Treasurers, of Five Hundred and Forty-Nine Pounds, One Shilling.
SAMUEL HILL SMITH,
THOMAS BEET.

No. CVII.

LONDON, *July 31, 1850.*

**Q. I. WHO are now ADMITTED as Ministers INTO FULL CON-
NEXION WITH THE CONFERENCE ?**

A. 1. In *Great Britain*,

(1.) Edward Addison, who has travelled five years;

(2.) James Allen, 3d, Robert G. Badcock, Thomas S. Bowers, B.A., John Bramwell, Thomas H. Brocklehurst, Samuel Coley, Evan Davies, Frederick F. Edmunds, John Evans, 2d, John D. Geden, John W. Greeves, John Harrop, Benjamin Hellier, Joseph Hirst, Thomas Hulme, Daniel Jones, Joseph Jones, Edward King, Samuel M'Aulay, Richard Martin, William Mearns, M.A., John Moore, Henry Needle, Paul Orchard, jun., Evan Pugh, Thomas Rigby, John Shipham, John Skidmore, George Smith, 2d, James Sugden, Charles Willis, John W. Wilson, Charles E. Woolmer;—

[John W. Davies retires for want of health;—]

2. In our *Foreign Missions*, George Alton, John A. Bailie, Henry Cox, George Daniel, William H. A. Dickson, Giffard Dorey, John Harcourt, Charles Hillard, Gideon Jaulmes, William Kirk, John Lewis, 2d, John Malvern, Joseph Morris, Edward J. Robinson, John Thomas, 2d, William Tyson, John Walton, William Williams, 3d, Richard Wrench;

Also, Thomas M. Chambers, Robert E. Crane, John Douglas, George O. Huestis, William Lowe, John A. Martin, John Prince, James Taylor, 2d, *Assistant Missionaries*;—

3. And, in *Ireland*, James Bass, Samuel Ferguson, Charles L. Grant, Joseph Johnston, Mortlock Long, Richard Maxwell.

Q. II. What Preachers REMAIN ON TRIAL ?

A. 1. In *Great Britain*, Joseph L. Ball, Joseph Bate, John Bramley, Rupert Chawner, John W. Crankshaw, Thomas T. Dilks, James Emory, Peter Featherstone, Benjamin Field, James Fisher, James Ford, William Foster, Samuel Haigh, James Hargreaves, William Harley, William Hirst, William L. Horton, William Jackson, 3d, Alexander T. James, John P. James, John Jones, 4th, Henry Keet, James A. Macdonald, John T. Morley, Joshua Mottram, John Nelson, 2d, William Parsonson, Josiah Pearson, Andrew Rennard, William Shaw, 2d, Joseph Spencer, Joseph Sutton, Theophilus Talbot, William D. Tyack, John Walter, John Wetherell, Thomas Wilkinson, Charles J. Williams, John S. Workman;—

[Charles B. Potts, Henry B. Cox, and Peter Sharland, retire for want of health;—]

2. In our *Foreign Missions*, Thomas Butcher, John W. Close,

Edward Collier, Joseph H. Fletcher, Herbert W. Haime, Frederick Hart, Richard Hart, John Kilner, George Meadows, Joseph Oram, Thomas Phelps, George Sargeant, George Smith, 4th, Joseph Webster;

Also, Gottlob Schreiner, Cornelius V. D. Van Soelen, *Assistant Missionaries*;—

[John C. Thrum retires for want of health;—]

3. And, in *Ireland*, Thomas W. Baker, Samuel Johnston, George Magee;—

These have travelled **THREE YEARS**:

1. In *Great Britain*, George Abbott, Thomas Chope, Thomas Derry, John Elam, Richard Evans, Elias Geake, Henry W. Holland, David Jones, 2d, Robert Jones, 2d, Samuel Lord, Henry Pollinger, Richard Smetham, Benjamin Smith, William Spencer, Henry J. Staley, Mark Symons, Edward A. Telfer, Thomas Timms, Francis T. Tranmer;—

2. In our *Foreign Missions*, Elias Brettle, John S. Ellison, Walter Garry, Alexander Reid, John Wood, 2d;

Also, William C. Currey, George H. Decker, Ebenezer D. Hepburn, Benjamin Latuselu, Joseph May, John G. Millard, Richard Watson, *Assistant Missionaries*;—

3. And, in *Ireland*, Edward Best, James Carey, George Chambers, William Christie, William Crook, jun., John Dwyer, Colin M'Kay, John H. Robinson;—

These have travelled **TWO YEARS**:

1. In *Great Britain*, Thomas Akroyd, John Baker, John Bate, Richard Bell, John Brown, 3d, Henry Cattle, Joseph R. Cleminson, Jonathan Dent, James D. Dodgson, Joshua Duffill, John T. Duncan, Henry Edwards, David Evans, 1st, William Fern, Charles Garrett, John Gilbert, Samuel T. Greathead, Francis W. Greeves, Frederick C. Haime, Robert Horsfield, Thomas G. Horton, Robert Horwood, John Hutchins, Henry W. Jackson, B.A., John Jeffreys, Isaac Jones, William Lees, John Longden, Joshua Mason, James F. Masters, Charles M. Merry, George Moone, Marmaduke C. Osborn, Jabez Overton, Thomas Pearson, 4th, Miles B. Pickering, Joseph Posnet, John Poulton, Whitfield Raw, John Reacher, John V. B. Shrewsbury, Joseph Simpson, James Smith, John S. Vickers, Thomas Vinson, Samuel Walker, 2d, William Watson, John Webb, Joseph Willis, Preston Wood, George E. Young, James Youngman;—

[Joseph Simpson, 1st, retires for want of health;—]

2. In our *Foreign Missions*, Walter J. Davis, William Hill, 2d, Joseph Rippon;

Also, William Byrnes, James Elliott, Joseph A. Heureaux, James A. Learmouth, Joseph D. M. Ludorf, John Pemell, James Somerville, R. Alder Temple, *Assistant Missionaries*;—

3. And, in *Ireland*, Robert Collier, Robert Johnston, James Shaw;—

These have travelled ONE YEAR.

Q. III. What Preachers are NOW RECEIVED ON TRIAL?

A. 1. In *Great Britain*, James M. Cranswick, David Evans, 2d, Edward Guest, John Hughes, Charles Nuttall, Griffith Roberts;—

2. In our *Foreign Missions*, Charles H. Bishop, Robert Brackenbury, Thomas Cannell, Joseph H. Carvosso, Robert W. Clegg, George Douglas, 2d, Aaron Edman, Richard Fletcher, Ebenezer A. Gardiner, Joseph Gaskin, Robert Gilbert, Theophilus S. Gregory, Henry Hirst, George B. Richards, Richard Ridyard, William Rotherham, William P. Wells;

Also, William Holdsworth, James Kerr, William Moore, Paul Rodrigo, John C. Symons, George W. Tuttle, Joseph Waterhouse, Charles White, *Assistant Missionaries*;—

3. And, in *Ireland*, John Gilcrist, Robert Hazleton, Thomas A. M'Kee, Thomas Pearson, John R. Porter.

Q. IV. What Ministers have DIED since the last Conference?

A. 1. In *Great Britain* the *twenty-five* following:—

(1.) ROBERT WHEELER, of the Fourth London Circuit; who was born at Over-Norton, Oxfordshire, October 9th, 1774; and departed this life August 19th, 1849, in the seventy-fifth year of his age. He entered on our public ministry in the year 1801, and continued to labour with acceptance till 1844, when, through age and infirmities, he became a Supernumerary. His Christian experience was clear, and the fruits of the Spirit were manifested in his life. Eminently of a meek and quiet spirit, he was mild, amiable, and ready to oblige. He was well versed in the holy Scriptures, which he was accustomed to study in their original languages. His mind was stored with sound Wesleyan theology; and his sermons contained clear statements of evangelical truth, delivered in plain and sometimes forcible language. In several places his ministry was highly successful in the awakening and conversion of sinners; but his talents appeared better adapted for building up believers in Christ. More than once he filled offices of considerable responsibility, the duties of which he discharged with credit to himself and satisfaction to his brethren. The even tenor of his course during life established his character for consistency. He enjoyed the confidence of his brethren, and in return manifested regard and affection towards them. For a year and a half before his death his health had been declining; but, during the last fortnight of his life, he sank rapidly. Throughout his affliction his mind was kept in a happy state; and his end was calm and peaceful.

(2.) WILLIAM SHELMEIRDINE; who was born in Manchester, in

1759. He was converted to God in early life, and in the year 1789 was called to the ministry, the full duties of which he discharged very laboriously, and with much fidelity and success, for forty years. In the year 1830 he became a Supernumerary, and retired to the neighbourhood of Manchester, where for nineteen years he continued to preach occasionally, as his strength permitted. He was a man of amiable spirit, of simple manners, and of unaffected piety. A little before his death, he observed to a friend, "I know God; I feel God; I enjoy God." He died at Patricroft, near Manchester, on the 30th of August, 1849, aged ninety years.

(3.) JOSEPH MEEK, of the Preston Circuit; who was born at Craike, in the county of Durham, in the year 1776. When about fifteen years of age, under a sermon by the Rev. William Percival, he was convinced of his state and danger as a sinner; and, after earnestly seeking the pardoning mercy of God, was enabled to cast himself on the atonement of Christ, and felt the love of God shed abroad in his heart by the Holy Ghost given unto him. His early religious career was distinguished by zeal for the glory of God in the conversion of sinners. In the year 1800 he entered the Wesleyan ministry, the duties of which he discharged with diligence and fidelity for thirty-nine years, when growing infirmities compelled him to become a Supernumerary. But, delighting in the work of the Lord, he was ever ready to employ his remaining energies in the service of his Divine Master; and, by his occasional pulpit ministrations and pastoral attentions, he rendered considerable aid to the Circuits in which he resided. His preaching was generally acceptable, but more especially calculated for the edification of the church by its exhibition of Christian experience and duty. In the enforcement of discipline he was firm but mild, possessing in a high degree the affections of the people among whom he laboured; whilst his affable and winning deportment enabled him to acquire an extensive and beneficial influence over the younger portion of his charge. He was particularly attentive to the comfort and welfare of the junior Ministers placed from time to time under his care, and was much beloved by his colleagues. Exemplary in the training of his own family, he had the happiness of seeing all his children converted to God, and many of them occupying important stations in His church. In his declining years, the consolations of religion were richly vouchsafed to him, imparting to his demeanour a serenity and sweetness most attractive and impressive. Though labouring under great weakness of body, he was anxious to attend the sittings of the last Conference, in order to attest the confidence and affection felt by him toward his brethren generally, and especially toward the leading Ministers of the Connexion. The effort, however, was too much for his debilitated frame; and, on his return home, the symptoms of

approaching dissolution soon appeared. But the joy of the Lord was his strength ; and in the most edifying manner he bore his testimony, not only to the goodness and fidelity of that God whom, for nearly half a century, he had served in the Gospel of His Son, but also to the value of those important truths which had been the topics of his public ministry, and the consolations of which, in the prospect of dissolution, he abundantly experienced. He died in great peace, on the 7th of September, 1849, in the seventy-fourth year of his age, and the fiftieth of his ministry.

(4.) FRANCIS DERRBY ; who entered the ministry in 1802, and continued his active labours till 1839, when he became a Supernumerary. Favoured with early religious advantages of no common order, he was converted to God in his youth ; and, to the end of his days, he continued to enjoy and manifest “ the fruit of the Spirit.” His sermons were solid and scriptural ; and, being unusually solemn, energetic, and awakening, were honoured in the conversion of sinners, and also, especially of late, in the edification of believers. He endeared himself to his colleagues by his brotherly kindness ; and laboured, not in vain, to stimulate both them and the people of his charge to Christian zeal and activity. In his declining years he was the subject of painful and repeated affliction, which he was graciously enabled to bear with Christian fortitude and resignation. His last sickness was short and severe ; but, with humble and firm faith in God, and in the joyful hope of heaven, he departed this life, September 11th, 1849, aged seventy-seven years.

(5.) JOSEPH BOWES, of the Bristol North Circuit, aged eighty-three years. The father of the late Rev. Joseph Bowes was a Romanist ; but, the family having removed to a place where there was no Roman Catholic congregation, Joseph was permitted to attend Protestant worship, which soon resulted in his renunciation of fellowship with Rome. He was afterwards placed with an uncle, who was a Methodist ; and this led to his conversion and union with the Wesleyan Society. He was fully engaged in the work of the ministry for forty-three years, when he was induced, by a failure of health, to become a Supernumerary. For about ten years he gladly assisted his brethren in the Bristol North Circuit in their ministerial work, until increasing infirmities and a severe affliction compelled him to desist altogether from public labours. He was distinguished by great simplicity, unaffected humility, truly Christian charity, and punctual attention to the duties he had to perform. The glow of feeling with which his public addresses were conducted made it apparent to all that he was in earnest to do good. During his last few years, in the midst of great physical debility, the graces of the Spirit were evidently ripening, and his family and friends derived much profit from his spiritual conversation. He died September 26th, 1849, in the

fifty-eighth year of his ministry, in humble, firm, and happy reliance on that great atonement which he had for so long a period proclaimed.

(6.) **JOSEPH AKRILL**, of the Chester Circuit. He was born at Horncastle, May 15th, 1817. At an early age he was convinced of sin, and converted to God. He applied himself diligently to the cultivation of his mind, devoting his leisure time to the reading of the word of God, and the examination of the best writers in divinity. At the age of nineteen he was received on trial as a candidate for the ministry, and admitted into the Wesleyan Theological Institution at Hoxton, a privilege which he highly prized, and which he improved by diligent application to the course of studies allotted to him. He was an attentive student of theology, and especially of Wesleyan theology; and to this subject he directed the whole energy of his mind. His ministerial abilities were of no ordinary character. As a Preacher, he was clear, pointed, energetic, affectionate, and faithful. His sermons were, emphatically, expositions of Divine truth. He made his preparations for the pulpit with great care, sparing no labour that he might be enabled to explain to his congregations the mind of the Spirit, as revealed in His word. He was a faithful Pastor, diligently visiting the people of his charge from house to house. His fervent prayers and judicious counsels will not readily be forgotten by those who were privileged with them. His religion was deep; and he was more than ordinarily impressed with the importance and responsibility of the sacred office which he filled. This was especially visible toward the close of his life. His ministry was increasingly spiritual and faithful; and his whole deportment, in public and private, was that of a man who felt himself on the verge of the grave. His last illness was short, but very severe. On the evening of the day before his decease, he fulfilled his regular appointment in the Circuit; but, early in the following morning, the most alarming symptoms manifested themselves; and it was soon evident that the dreadful disease which terminated his valuable life would, in a few hours, prove fatal. But his house was "set in order;" his lamp was trimmed, and his light was burning. Some of his last words were, "I am resting on the atonement." "I hope in Christ." "Other foundation can no man lay." He died, in sure and certain hope of a resurrection to eternal life, on the 5th of October, 1849, in the thirty-third year of his age, and the twelfth of his ministry.

(7.) **JAMES HEDGES**; who was born at Timsbury, in Somersetshire. In his seventeenth year he was deeply convinced of sin under a sermon preached by the Rev. G. B. Macdonald, and, after a considerable period of deep sorrow and anguish on account of sin, he obtained a clear and abiding sense of the Divine favour. Under a solemn conviction, "Woe is me, if I preach not the Gospel,"

he began to call sinners to repentance; and after spending three years in the Theological Institution, where, by means of diligent study and fervent prayer, he acquired qualifications for more than ordinary usefulness, he entered upon the full work of the ministry in the year 1841. His pulpit talents were of a superior order. He was "a workman that needed not to be ashamed." Many of his sermons were evidently the result of intense application, and were delivered in a manner in which dignified simplicity, melting tenderness, awful terror, and force of appeal were happily combined. Nor were they preached in vain: many were the seals of his ministry, who will doubtless be the crown of his rejoicing in the day of the Lord Jesus. During his short residence at Bedford, as in all other places where he laboured, he gained the esteem and affection of his brethren and of the people to whom he ministered. The affliction which terminated his valuable and very promising ministerial life was malignant typhus fever, which prevented his saying much respecting his state and prospects; yet he was evidently ready for his departure. He was, as he stated, "upon the Rock." Jesus was precious to him: he had "a good hope through grace;" and his end was eminently peaceful. He died on the 31st of October, 1849, in the thirty-second year of his age, and the tenth of his ministry. His removal is extensively and deeply lamented.

(8.) THOMAS POWELL. When about nineteen years of age he experienced the blessedness of redemption in the blood of Christ, the forgiveness of sin, and of the new birth by the gracious power of the Holy Spirit. His conversion was sound and scriptural, and gave a strong impulse (perhaps stronger than usual) to his whole moral and intellectual nature, making him at once a contemplative and an active Christian believer. In early life his opportunities of mental culture were few; but, by diligence and perseverance, his attainments in the learned languages, and in sacred literature, became respectable. He was admitted on trial as a Wesleyan Minister in the year 1822, and thenceforth devoted himself with assiduity and zeal to the performance of his various duties. His attention to the course of study which he had commenced never relaxed; and he thus sought to be "a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth." As a Preacher, his choice of subjects indicated a wide range of scriptural inquiry. His style, at the commencement of his ministry, was somewhat abstruse; but subsequently his pulpit addresses were characterized by simplicity, as well as by spirituality. They were richly instructive; but, while they powerfully tended to the edification of "those who had believed through grace," they were not wanting in pointed and impressive appeals to the consciences of the unconverted. His literary acquirements, the result of untiring diligence, extended his usefulness beyond the limits of what may be more strictly regarded

as ministerial duties. Along with others he perceived the deadening tendencies of the system to which, in recent times, the term *Tractarianism* has been applied, and his researches enabled him to supply an antidote against the poison flowing from one particular source. His refutation of what is called the doctrine of the *Uninterrupted Succession*—a ministerial succession, altogether independent of the inward call of the Holy Ghost, of spirituality and integrity of religious and moral character, of purity and soundness of belief in the essential truths comprised in the “faith once delivered to the saints”—remains as a memorial of diligence and success which, considering the circumstances of his early life, is both exemplary and encouraging, as well as a valuable contribution to an important branch of theological discussion. His piety was cheerful and intelligent, and rendered his conversation both attractive and edifying. In company he never shrank from bringing Christian truth to bear on the subjects of conversation, and, at the same time, on the consciences of those who needed its influence; and this he accomplished in so happy a manner as often to excite gratitude, and seldom to give offence. He was in all things honest and frank, yet courteous and serene, as became one whose soul was joyful in the Lord, and who conscientiously endeavoured to walk in truth and love. His life, in its latter years, was chequered by many afflictions, which for a time prostrated his usually vigorous and joyous spirit. But this “chastening of the Lord” accomplished its salutary purpose: his graces were refined by the fiery process, and he was made, more largely, a partaker of the Divine holiness. He fell asleep in Jesus, January 1st, 1850, in the fifty-ninth year of his age.

(9.) **SETH MORRIS**, of the Runcorn Circuit. He sought the Lord in youth, and obtained, through faith in Christ, pardon and peace with God. In the year 1812 he entered our ministry, and gave himself to the discharge of its duties, until compelled, by the failure of his health, to retire from the itinerancy. His preaching was earnest, plain, and faithful; and, in some of the Circuits in which he laboured, he was favoured with gratifying success. He endured a protracted affliction with much patience and cheerfulness, yet he usually spoke of death as an event which he anticipated with desire. When his end was perceived to be near, with the utmost calmness he professed his entire and exclusive confidence in the Divine atonement, and held fast his hope. He died January 2d, 1850, in the sixty-fifth year of his age, and the thirty-eighth of his ministry.

(10.) **JOSEPH BROOKHOUSE**; who was born in 1767, at Mackworth, in the county of Derby. After having been employed some years as a Local Preacher, he was admitted as a probationer for the work of the ministry, and in due time ordained to that sacred office. He was a man of unblemished character, and wholly devoted to the service of God. His peaceable habits, fervent zeal,

and edifying gifts, procured him the esteem of the various Societies and congregations among which he laboured. When compelled by infirmities to retire from the toils and responsibilities of the itinerancy, he cheerfully employed his remaining strength in meeting classes, visiting the sick, and occasionally occupying the pulpit; services which were highly valued. His last affliction was painful and protracted, and, during some of its latter stages, he was much harassed by temptation; but, before his departure, his mind was fully relieved, and he finished his course in great peace, January 23d, 1850, in the eighty-fourth year of his age, and the fifty-fifth of his ministry.

(11.) HUMPHREY PARSONS; who entered our ministry in the year 1796. He was naturally unassuming; but, yielding to the constraining power of the love of Christ, he laboured with fidelity, efficiency, and much acceptance, in many respectable Circuits. Great debility compelled him to become a Supernumerary, when but little beyond the prime of life. His latter years were spent in Ludlow; not in mere harmlessness and quietness, but generally in meeting classes, visiting the sick, and, as his strength permitted, in more public exertions to serve the cause of Christ and of Methodism. During his last illness he was graciously supported by the promises of the Gospel, and his mind was stayed on God. Thus he was found, when his end came, "looking for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ unto eternal life." He departed in peace, on the 28th of January, 1850, in the eighty-second year of his age, and the fifty-fourth of his ministry.

(12.) JOHN RAWSON; who sustained an unimpeachable character for more than half a century. He was a man of fervent religion, deeply devoted to God, and cordially attached to the discipline of Methodism, which he mildly and firmly enforced. He was a faithful, energetic, and successful preacher of the Gospel; and many will be the crown of his rejoicing in the day of the Lord Jesus. On retiring from the regular work of the ministry, he continued to preach as long as his health would permit. During his last affliction, he was graciously supported, and calmly resigned to the will of God. A short time before he died, he exclaimed, "Glory be to God! Christ is precious! I am happy! I have a bright prospect! I shall soon be at home." He died at Reeth, February 12th, 1850, in the seventy-fourth year of his age, and the forty-second of his ministry.

(13.) REUBEN PARTRIDGE, of the Wisbeach Circuit. He was born at Darlaston, of godly parents, and was converted to God when sixteen years of age. At the age of nineteen he became a Local Preacher, and some time afterwards was called into the ministry. He was assiduous in the cultivation of his mind, and zealous and devoted in the prosecution of his public duty. His discourses were distinguished by clearness and fidelity; his per-

sonal religion was deep and uniform; and, in the Circuits in which he laboured, he was generally beloved. The great Head of the Church honoured him with considerable success; and his labours, as a Wesleyan Minister, were uninterrupted from the date of their commencement till within nine months of his death. During the last three or four months of his life, he was called to suffer excruciating pain; but he was never heard to murmur. He knew that he was in the hands of his Father and his God, and, in the midst of his affliction, could adoringly say, "It is the Lord; let Him do what seemeth Him good." He died in great peace, February 12th, 1850, in the thirty-sixth year of his age, and the fourteenth of his ministry.

(14.) **GEORGE HAMBLY ROWE**; who was born at Truro, Cornwall, April 16th, 1786, and in early life converted to God through the instrumentality of his brother, the late Rev. John H. Rowe. He entered the Wesleyan ministry in 1808, and sustained, without interruption, to the end of life, a character consistent with his holy calling. He was affectionate and kind in his disposition and deportment; and his piety, serious without moroseness, and cheerful without levity, gave evidence of his own personal enjoyment of the religion which he recommended to others. As a Minister, he was devoted to his work, and faithful in the discharge of its duties. His preaching was truly evangelical, exhibiting the doctrines of the Gospel in decided reference to their spiritual and practical design. He was a diligent Superintendent, and a faithful colleague. To his appointments he attended with the utmost punctuality, and in pastoral visitation he felt great and ever-growing delight. For the maintenance of peace he was always ready to make sacrifices; but never, even for the sake of peace, would he allow important principles to be endangered. During the long period which his public life embraced, he was scarcely ever laid aside by affliction; and the health with which he was so generally favoured, he devoted with thankful joy to his Master's work. Early in the present year, however, unexpected infirmities compelled him to discontinue his pulpit labours; though he was still able to attend to other important departments of service. During the last fortnight of his earthly sojourn, he visited nearly all the members of the Maidstone Society, most affectionately urging them to seek for an increase of the holiness which constitutes preparation for death and meetness for heaven. On Sunday, March 3d, he administered the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper. It was his last act of ministerial service. In his concluding prayer he was seized with apoplexy, but was enabled publicly to bear testimony to the inward peace which he enjoyed, and which the solemn circumstances in which he was placed rather strengthened than disturbed. Before his friends could convey him from the chapel, he said, several times, "Do not be

alarmed: *I am not. All is right.*" Once, also, he said, "My oft-repeated prayer is answered,—‘My body with my charge lay down!’" About nineteen hours after his seizure he died, March 4th, 1850, in the sixty-fourth year of his age, and the forty-second of his ministry.

(15.) WILLIAM MOWAT, of the Stroud Circuit; who was born in the year 1788, at Epworth, where he was baptized by the late Rev. John Wesley, A.M. He received his education at Kingswood-school. During his residence in that place, he became deeply concerned about his soul, began to meet in class, and soon after, being enabled to trust in the atonement of Christ, attained a sense of pardon. He was received into the Wesleyan ministry in the year 1812, and continued for thirty-five years to labour with acceptance. He was a man of retiring habits, and accustomed to extensive reading: he was well-acquainted with the doctrines of the Gospel, and he stated them with great clearness. His preaching, though not energetic, was always acceptable, and adapted to inform and edify his hearers. It may be truly said of him, that "he was a good man." He lived, as well as preached, the Gospel. He entered into rest March 23d, 1850.

(16.) WILLIAM WEBB, 1st; who died in the thirty-sixth year of his age, and the fifteenth of his ministry. He was born at Stourbridge, in the year 1814, and from his infancy was trained by pious parents in the fear of God. When eleven years of age, by the Divine blessing on the affectionate instructions of the late Rev. William Entwisle, he was soundly converted to God; and, at the age of seventeen years, being full of holy zeal, he began to preach. At the age of twenty years, he was appointed to a Circuit, to the duties of which he devoted himself with great diligence, and with an earnest aim at a high standard of ministerial efficiency. He had a warm and generous heart, a lively imagination, and a fervid and impassioned eloquence. His sermons were full of evangelical truth, abounded in simple, pointed, and touching illustrations, and were delivered with great affection and energy, and with much Divine unction, so that his ministry was both attractive and successful. He greatly loved his work; and from the beginning laboured, it is feared, beyond his strength. He was, in consequence, frequently laid aside by affliction; but, as often as his strength was recruited, he threw himself again into his work, with the holy enthusiasm and fearlessness of one who loved souls much more than he dreaded sickness or death. His afflictions, which were endured with much patience, greatly promoted the spirituality of his mind, and exerted on his conversation and conduct a mellowing influence, the effect of which was felt by all who knew him. After the last Conference, he entered on his duties in the Fourth Manchester Circuit with his accustomed energy; but, in the course of a few months, he experienced several severe

and alarming attacks of illness. And though there appeared reason to believe that his health was in some degree re-established, having risen on the morning of Sunday, March 24th, 1850, with the expectation of preaching as usual on that day, he was seized with a fit of coughing, ruptured a blood-vessel, and immediately expired.

(17.) **RICHARD REECE.** When eighteen years of age, he was deeply convinced of sin. Salvation became the object of his earnest solicitude. He sought it with fervent prayer; and, in the exercise of faith in the atonement, found it. His birthday, which he had set apart for fasting and supplication, proved the day of his birth from above. "The Lord," he says, "had compassion on me; and, ere I had been half an hour at prayer, I felt such an overshadowing of the Divine presence as is indescribable. My burden was instantly gone, and joy unspeakable filled my heart." Mr. Reece's desires after entire holiness soon became strong and earnest; and at this time the words, "I am thy salvation," were repeatedly applied to his mind with Divine sweetness and power. A heaven of love filled his soul, and all was quietness and assurance. Righteousness now reigned in him, and became more and more vigorous, steadfast, and mature. Indications of a Divine call to preach the Gospel soon appeared; and, at the Conference of 1787, he was admitted on trial by Mr. Wesley, and appointed to the Oxford Circuit. He laboured in the work of the ministry during the singularly protracted period of sixty-three years; occupying in succession many of the most important Circuits, and filling with great advantage the highest offices in the Connexion. Throughout his public course, he was unto God "a sweet savour of Christ;" and, while he preached Christ crucified with apostolical faithfulness, he was, "instant in season, and out of season," visiting from house to house, and discharging all other pastoral duties with exemplary devotedness. He cared for the young with paternal affection and unwearying solicitude, having in his Circuit-arrangements and pastoral visitations especial reference to their good; and many now occupying important positions in the church owe their first religious convictions to his judicious and impressive admonitions. He was a master in Israel, and declared all the counsel of God, speaking to the awakening of sinners, and with eminent wisdom and success edifying the flock of Christ. The light of his teaching had a solemn and commanding influence; his ministrations being clear, weighty, practical, and in a high degree spiritual. He ruled well in the church of God, blending affection with authority, and tempering firmness with prudence. He was twice President of the Conference, and in each instance more than justified the confidence of his brethren. He was elected President the second time in 1835. Amid the trying circumstances of that year, his fidelity was conspicuous. The great Connexional principles then assailed he upheld with unbending

firmness, nobly redeeming the pledge he had uttered,—“Methodism shall never deteriorate in my hands.” In 1823 he represented the British Conference, in the American General Conference, and performed this honourable service in behalf of the great Wesleyan family with much discretion, kindness, and dignity. Loved and venerated for his personal sanctity, and for his official services, he retired in 1846 as a Supernumerary: continuing, however, his pulpit and pastoral labours on a limited scale till nearly the end of life, and shedding on his closing days the serene lustre of a high intelligence and a mellowed piety. He suffered for a few weeks only, before his dismissal from the body. And now patience was perfect, love abounded, and faith triumphed. He exclaimed, “Blessed be God for comfort, for succour, and for hope. I am kept in perfect peace. I have perfect love, and perfect joy.” His last prayer was, “Pardon—accept—heal—complete—.” His last connected sentence was, “I am going to be for ever with the Lord,—for ever—for ever with the Lord.” He departed this life on Saturday, April 27th, 1850, in the eighty-fifth year of his age, experiencing the truth of that gracious promise of our great Redeemer, “If a man keep My saying, he shall never see death.”

(18.) JOHN LESSON; who was converted to God at the age of sixteen years, and became a candidate for our ministry at the Conference of 1846. His early death was induced by his great exertions in the work of his Divine Master. He possessed very acceptable and useful talents, which were sanctified by deep and ardent piety. In his painful affliction his mind was kept in perfect peace. He died in the full triumph of faith, on Sunday, June 9th, 1850, in the twenty-sixth year of his age.

(19.) CALVERLEY RILEY, of the Liverpool South Circuit. He was converted to God in youth, and soon began, with great seriousness and earnestness, to call sinners to repentance. Being ordained to the work of the Christian ministry by Dr. Coke and others, he entered on the duties of a Missionary life in 1810, and laboured with much acceptance in the West Indies for six years. Soon after his return to England, he was injured by a fall from his horse: this injury terminating in permanent lameness, he was, to his inexpressible grief, obliged to retire as a Supernumerary. Mr. Riley was a man of a meek and quiet spirit, and in lowliness esteemed others better than himself. He was simple in his habits, retiring in his disposition, and truly amiable in all the relations of life. He bore his protracted afflictions with patience, and took delight in magnifying the goodness and mercy of God. As his health permitted, he devoted himself to the visitation of the sick, and esteemed it a privilege to publish the unsearchable riches of Christ as opportunity was afforded. His Christian experience was generally marked by deep self-abasement, firm reliance on the

sacrifice of Christ, and joy in the Holy Ghost; but, during the last months of his life, his mind was clouded with despondency, from the oppressive influence of which he recovered only so far as to say to his sorrowing family, "I believe I shall get to heaven after all." He died June 10th, 1850, in the seventy-first year of his age.

(20.) FRANCIS BROOKE POTTS; who was born in Bedfordshire, in the year 1785. Being the youngest of eleven sons, he was treated by his parents with an injudicious fondness, which, but for an overruling Providence, might have been fatally injurious to him. The death of his father rendered a departure from home necessary, and he was placed in a family in which strict but affectionate attention was paid to his deportment, and he was required regularly to attend religious worship at the Wesleyan chapel. As the result, he was brought, while yet young, to seek the salvation of his soul, and experienced the justifying mercy and regenerating grace of God, through faith in our Lord Jesus Christ. He joined the Wesleyan Society; and the genuineness of the change through which he had passed was evinced by the consistency of his conduct, and by the strong desire which he manifested to promote the spiritual welfare of others. His concern for their future happiness became even distressingly intense, and he felt himself constrained to embrace every opportunity of exhorting sinners to flee from the wrath to come. The success with which it pleased God to crown his zealous efforts, encouraged him to persevere in them; and he soon became convinced that it was his duty to devote himself entirely to the work of calling sinners to repentance. Being recommended to the Conference, he was received on trial in the year 1808. His first station was in the county of Essex. He encountered much opposition, and was repeatedly required to appear before the Magistrates of the county; but his zeal was unconquerable. He quickly succeeded in introducing Methodism into nine villages where he saw the people perishing for lack of knowledge, and devoutly rejoiced in the Lord, who gave him many seals to his ministry. During the whole of his course, he was actuated by the same zealous desire for the salvation of souls. His public ministrations were distinguished by simplicity and earnestness; and, being connected with much prayer for the Divine blessing, they greatly promoted the conversion of sinners, and the edification of the Christian people under his pastoral care. He regarded with true affection all who loved our Lord Jesus in sincerity; but Wesleyan Methodism, under all its aspects, was the object of his strong and undeviating attachment. He believed its doctrines and discipline to be scriptural, and preached the one, and diligently observed and enforced the other. Thus seeking to fulfil his course, and to promote the prosperity of the respective Circuits to which he was appointed, he secured in a high degree the esteem

of his brethren in the ministry, and the affectionate respect of the people among whom he laboured. In 1836 the infirmities consequent on the failure of his health obliged him to retire from regular and active service; yet, as a Supernumerary Minister, he laboured as much, and as long, as his strength allowed. To the end of his life, his public ministry was useful and acceptable. His last illness was of short duration, and so severe as to render him almost incapable of speaking. He received with much solemnity of feeling the announcement of his approaching end; and, though deeply humbled by a sense of personal unworthiness, he was enabled to repose a calm and unwavering trust in the atonement of Christ, and the love of his heavenly Father. Shortly before he died he expressed this to his mourning family, consoling them with the assurance of his own personal experience of the peace and joy of faith. He died, July 12th, 1850, in the sixty-fifth year of his age, and the forty-second of his ministry.

(21.) JOHN MOWBRAY PEARSON; who was brought to a saving knowledge of God in the seventeenth year of his age, and appointed to the work of the ministry in 1833. He discharged its duties with considerable zeal, diligence, and success, until the Conference in 1849, when, through great bodily affliction, he was obliged to become a Supernumerary. He was a man of deep piety, genuine simplicity, amiable disposition, upright behaviour, and unblemished character. His preaching was clear, solid, earnest, and practical; giving great prominence to the distinctive doctrines of the system of truth received by us. He was particularly attentive to his pastoral duties, and greatly beloved among the people of his charge. During the heavy and protracted trials occasioned by severe illness, he was invariably patient, resigned, and cheerful. The last enemy found him calmly waiting for his change, and rejoicing in hope of eternal life. He possessed the unspeakable composure resulting from a full confidence in his Saviour and God, and passed in holy triumph to his everlasting rest. He died July 19th, 1850, in the forty-second year of his age, and the seventeenth of his ministry.

(22.) WILLIAM THOMAS; who was born at Redruth, March 31st, 1817. When about seventeen years of age, he joined the Methodist Society, and after some months obtained "redemption through the blood of Christ, even the forgiveness of sin." Having experienced the saving grace of God, he soon began to call sinners to repentance; and, after being usefully engaged for several years as a Local Preacher, was received by the Conference, in 1843, as a candidate for the ministry. He evinced considerable originality of mind; and his preaching was instructive and edifying, marked by clear descriptions of Christian experience and scriptural truth, as well as accompanied with considerable unction. As a colleague, he was eminently faithful; and as a Pastor, diligent, affectionate, and laborious. His religion was noiseless, but deep and solid; and

his general deportment frank, generous, and guileless. During one of his journeys in the Budleigh-Salterton Circuit, he took a severe cold, from the effects of which he never recovered; and, at the Conference of 1849, he was compelled to become a Supernumerary. His last year was passed in his native place, where he exerted himself in ministering to the spiritual welfare of his kindred and friends, so long as physical strength enabled him to work for his Divine Master. During his affliction, his mind was kept in perfect peace, and his end was one of triumph. When one of his relations referred to his passing through "the dark valley," he replied, "No; I am not in the dark: all is light here." Soon afterwards, looking upwards with intense and delighted interest, as if he saw the angels waiting, and the Saviour ready to receive his triumphant spirit, and significantly beckoning with his hand, he exclaimed, with unwonted energy of voice and feeling, "I am coming! I am coming!" and, on being raised up, escaped without a struggle to the mansions of bliss. He died on the 19th of July, 1850, in the thirty-fourth year of his age.

(23.) WILLIAM WELBORNE; who was born in the year 1770, near Malton. His parents were members of the Church of England, and watched with great care over his moral conduct. At the age of twenty, under the ministry of the Rev. William Percival, he was convinced of sin; and, about six months afterwards, he obtained the witness of pardon and acceptance with God. He was called into the regular work of the ministry in 1798, in which he usefully laboured till the year 1837, when, through the infirmities of age, he retired from the active service. He was a man of great uprightness, and of sincere piety. He was eminently a cheerful Christian; and it was obvious to all around him that his religion made him happy. As a Minister of the Lord Jesus Christ, he displayed talents acceptable and useful. His preaching was plain, experimental, practical, and evangelical. He was esteemed and beloved, both by his colleagues in the ministry, and by the people among whom he resided. On becoming a Supernumerary, he went to reside in the Canterbury Circuit, where, as afterwards at Lowestoff, by consistent deportment, profitable intercourse with the flock of Christ, diligence in visiting the sick, attention to the members of his class, and occasional pulpit ministrations, he won the affection of the people, while he rendered himself useful to the Connexion. In his last brief illness, he was favoured, in a large measure, with Divine support. He frequently expressed himself as free from all anxiety respecting his eternal safety; and in this state of Christian confidence he died, on the 25th of July, 1850, aged eighty years.

(24.) SIMEON NOALL; who was a native of Gwennap. Of his early history we have little information. He entered our ministry in 1824, and laboured for several years in Newfoundland with

fidelity and success. After his return, he was exemplarily attentive to the various departments of his ministerial duty. He was uniformly serious and spiritual, and was mighty in prayer. His sermons indicated an intimate acquaintance with the holy Scriptures; and, being rich in evangelical truth, were often signally powerful and energetic. He was wise to win souls. To the young he greatly endeared himself by his affability, and his kind solicitude for their spiritual welfare. Towards the close of 1841 he had a slight seizure, which, by impairing a constitution already enfeebled by hardships endured in the foreign work, seriously interfered with his subsequent labours. He became a Supernumerary in the year 1848, but continued to the last to employ the remnant of his strength in the work of his Master. He suddenly expired, August 4th, 1850, in the fifty-sixth year of his age.

(25.) JOHN CHETTLER; who was born at Castle-Donington, in 1777. The Divine blessing so accompanied the Christian instruction, discipline, and example of his godly parents, that in early life his mind was enlightened, and his character formed, by the great truths of our holy religion. Before he was thirteen years of age, he obtained a clear sense of God's pardoning mercy through faith in Christ. From the commencement of his spiritual life, his experience was remarkably distinct and scriptural. His zeal was fervent, and his spirit bold. Having once given his heart to God, he was steadfast in the faith, and "valiant for the truth." He sought to be an intelligent, as well as a zealous, Christian. His profiting soon appeared to his fellow-Christians; and in his twentieth year he entered as a probationer into the ministry. He was ever studious and diligent in the improvement of his mind; and, with comparatively small assistance, he acquired a respectable knowledge of the sacred originals of holy Scripture. His vigorous mind was abundantly stored with evangelical truth. He was "ready always to give to every man a reason of the hope that was in him." His preaching was plain, but interesting and instructive; eminently practical in its character, earnest in manner, clear in doctrinal statement, and always richly evangelical. He was greatly owned of God in his labours, and had the joy of witnessing in his various Circuits the prosperity of the cause of God. He paid a careful attention to the maintenance of our godly discipline; while firm and faithful in its administration, he was also tender and long-suffering. In his family he was grave, but affectionate. At an early age his children were profitably impressed by his conversations and prayers; and he was ever exemplary in enforcing on their attention the necessity and blessedness of personal salvation. As a colleague, he was beloved and trusted by his brethren; always manifesting inflexible integrity, and an abhorrence of meanness, duplicity, and worldly policy. In the early years of his ministry he shared, in no small measure, the persecutions, privations, and

obloquy of the rising cause. Methodism he lived to see enlarged and established beyond all his anticipations; and for this he often praised God, and rejoiced exceedingly. After devoting fifty years of laborious, honourable, and faithful service to the full work, he retired in 1847 as a Supernumerary. But his love to his Master's work continued unabated: as his strength allowed, he preached and met classes, greatly to the edifying of God's people. For several late months his physical energy greatly failed. During the first week of the Conference he attended the sittings every day, with the most lively interest in the proceedings. No entreaty could induce him to be absent, until nature was completely prostrated. He sank rapidly for four days, and then, without pain or conflict, quietly fell asleep in Jesus. During his illness his mind was kept in perfect peace. His prospects were bright and cheering. He anticipated his end with solemn composure, resting solely upon the mercy of his God in Christ. He died August 8th, 1850, in the seventy-third year of his age, and the fifty-third of his ministry.

2. In *Ireland, six*; viz.,—

(1.) MATTHEW LANKTREE. In early life, while on a visit to some relations who were zealous members of the Methodist Society, he was deeply convinced of sin; and, yielding to the gracious Spirit of God, he sought and found peace with God through Jesus Christ our Lord. He immediately united himself to the people by whose instrumentality he had been brought to the knowledge of the truth, and, with the zeal that ever after distinguished him, began to speak to his neighbours and friends of the Saviour he himself had found. Not long after his conversion he felt persuaded that God had called him to engage in the work of the ministry, and was received on trial in the year 1794. His public ministrations were eminently spiritual, rich in evangelical truth, and accompanied by the unction of the Holy Ghost. He was diligent in his attention to pastoral duties, and was especially "a son of consolation" to the sick and the dying. In the social circle his conversation was godly, always directed to the edification of the people; and of few Ministers can it be said with more truth, that he did "not run in vain, neither labour in vain." In his latter days, when a Supernumerary, as he had opportunity he sought to save souls; and his last ministerial act was to pray at the bedside of a poor man dying of cholera, shortly after which he died of the same fatal disease himself. Nearly his last words, uttered in the calm triumph of faith, were, "To die is gain." He died in Belfast, on the 14th of July, 1849, in the seventy-ninth year of his age, and the fifty-fifth of his ministry.

(2.) THOMAS LOUGHEED. In early life, through the Wesleyan ministry, he was deeply convinced of sin, and by the exercise of faith in the atonement of Christ obtained peace with God. In the

year 1801 he was called to devote himself to our ministry, in which he continued until growing infirmities compelled him, in 1839, to retire as a Supernumerary. He was a man of good understanding and genuine piety. His views of our doctrines were clear, and his talents popular. He was an agreeable colleague, and a steady friend. He died in peace, expressing an unshaken confidence in the atonement of Christ, and a cheering sense of his acceptance with God. To a brother Minister he gave his last testimony,—“This is my belief and my experience: ‘By grace I am saved through faith, and that not of myself; it is the gift of God.’” He died near Portarlington, on the 10th of December, 1849, in the seventy-eighth year of his age, and forty-ninth of his ministry.

(3.) JOHN CROZIER IRVINE; a native of the County Fermanagh, who, having been accepted by the Conference as a probationer in 1806, exercised his ministry amongst us for twenty-nine years, and then became a Supernumerary. After enduring long-continued affliction with patient resignation to the will of God, he departed in peace on the 7th of January, 1850, in the seventy-seventh year of his age.

(4.) JAMES M‘CLINTOCK; who, a few weeks after he had arrived in the Killesandra Circuit, to which he was appointed by the last Conference, was incapacitated by illness for the work assigned to him. After lingering for some months, he finished his short course on the 19th of January, 1850, in the thirty-second year of his age, and the fifth of his ministry. He was a laborious and useful man, and in death was graciously sustained by power from on high.

(5.) PATRICK FRENCH; who in his youth, under the Methodist ministry, became the subject of the converting grace of God. His fidelity and zeal led his Brethren to recommend him as a suitable Missionary for the West Indies, where he laboured with acceptance and usefulness for a period of nine years, when the failure of his health compelled him to return to his native land. There for two years longer he continued in the full exercise of his ministry; but the effects of a foreign climate on his constitution soon compelled him to become a Supernumerary. As such he was diligent in pastoral visitation and in preaching, so far and so long as his strength permitted. He was constant in his attendance upon the ordinances of the house of God, and exemplary in the discharge of the duties which devolved upon him. The period of his last illness was one of great suffering, but of Christian triumph. He died at Balbriggan, in the Drogheda Circuit, on the 5th of March, 1850, in the seventy-fifth year of his age, and the thirty-second of his ministry.

(6.) WILLIAM GUARD; who was born in Mountrath, in the Queen’s County. Having been taught the fear of the Lord in

early youth, when about sixteen years of age he was thoroughly convinced of his lost condition ; and, after suffering deep mental anguish, he was enabled to rest on the atonement of the Son of God, and, believing, obtained life through His name. Constrained by the love of Christ, he now began to call the sinners around him to repentance, and with an encouraging degree of success. It was soon evident that the Divine Head of the church had called him to preach the Gospel ; and, accordingly, having passed through the usual examinations, he was appointed to a Circuit in 1821. For the greater part of his ministerial life he laboured as an Irish Missionary. He was strongly attached to Wesleyan Methodism in doctrine and discipline, and was uniformly distinguished by godliness, simplicity, and strict integrity. His preaching was clear, evangelical, practical, and manifestly attended with the unction of the Holy Ghost. As a Christian and a Minister, he was much beloved. His death was mysteriously sudden. Retiring to rest on the night of April 6th, 1850, in his usual health and spirits, he was seized, about one o'clock in the following morning, with a fit of apoplexy ; and, after an interval of three hours spent without much apparent suffering he entered into the joy of his Lord, in the fifty-second year of his age, and the twenty-ninth of his ministry.

3. In our *Foreign Missions*, four have died ; viz.,—

(1.) WILLIAM LONGBOTTOM ; who was of a well-known Methodist family, in Bingley, Yorkshire, and greatly profited by his early advantages. He was thoroughly convinced of the necessity of a Divine change under a sermon by the venerable Joseph Benson, delivered at the Leeds Conference in 1818. He appears to have very soon entered into “glorious liberty ;” and while he continued in his native town, he became distinguished by devotedness, perseverance, and energy, in various departments of usefulness. In 1826, Mr. Longbottom was summoned by the Missionary Committee to proceed to a foreign station ; but, circumstances preventing his immediate departure, he was employed for a year or two at home. Having studied the Tamul language, under the direction of the Rev. Thomas H. Squance, at Reading, he embarked for Madras, in November, 1829. His ardent ministry excited the attention of the Anglo-Indian population of Madras. In pursuit of labours which he regarded as useful and important, he exceeded his constitutional strength ; and thus, at the commencement of his Missionary career, most unfortunately sacrificed his health, and contracted a chronic disorder, which accompanied him through life, and often interfered with the vigorous and regular discharge of his duties. For the recovery of his health he embarked for the Cape of Good Hope, in 1835. Returning to India too early, and having received directions from the Missionary Com-

mittee to proceed to Swan-River, he embarked for the Mauritius, proceeded thence to Van-Diemen's Land, and there embarked for the Swan-River, which he never reached. The vessel in which he sailed with his family was calamitously wrecked in Encounter-Bay; and, before the nearest settlement, Adelaide, could be reached, he was exposed to hardships and fatigues which tended further to injure his constitution, already greatly impaired. Finding a small congregation, he opened his commission at Adelaide, and his acceptable ministry was the means of greatly advancing the religious interests of the colony. With some interruptions, and a temporary change to Van-Diemen's Land, rendered necessary by the state of his health, Mr. Longbottom laboured in Adelaide until 1846, when he had permission to return home. He preferred, however, remaining at Adelaide, where he retired as a Supernumerary, continuing to preach as his strength permitted. The last weeks of his life were marked by extreme feebleness of body and mind. At times he suffered much pain; but this subsided, and on the 29th of July, 1849, he met death without fear. His mourning family and friends witnessed the fulfilment of words he had often uttered during his illness: "The great atonement was made for me: all will be right at last!"

(2.) MATTHEW LANG; who was born in Ireland, in 1798, and brought up at Preston, Lancashire. In this town, when about sixteen years of age, he was converted to God through the instrumentality of Wesleyan Methodism. At the age of twenty-five, after having successfully discharged the duties of an Exhorter and Local Preacher, he was called into our ministry, and appointed to Canada, where he laboured as a faithful and diligent Missionary during the remainder of his life. Of him indeed it may be said, that all the energies of his body and mind were devoted to the accomplishment of the great purposes of that ministry to which he felt himself called by the Holy Ghost. He maintained an unblemished character during the whole of his public course, and was eminently distinguished by fervour and uniformity of zeal in seeking the glory of Christ and the salvation of man. He yielded to none of his brethren in attachment to the doctrines and established economy of Methodism, or in the faithful enforcement of its discipline. He was "in labours more abundant;" and his acceptable ministry was signally attended with the Divine blessing. He sustained with honour and integrity some of the most important offices in his District, and was at the time of his death Chairman of the Eastern Canada District, and General Superintendent of its Missions. The oft-repeated desire of his soul, in his most devout frame, was that which is expressed in the words,—

"O that without a lingering groan
I may the welcome word receive;

My body with my charge lay down,
And cease at once to work and live ! ”

His end was in accordance with this wish. While engaged in the service of the church, he was suddenly seized with sickness, which in twenty minutes terminated in death. His last utterance, and indeed the only one which he had power to articulate, was in perfect unison with his unvarying trust in the atonement of Christ, and his untiring zeal for God's glory : “ Sweet Jesus, help me to glorify Thee ! ” He died at St. John's, on the 21st of February, 1850, in the fifty-second year of his age, and the twenty-seventh of his ministry.

(3.) **SAMPSON BUSBY** ; who was born at Rainton, in Yorkshire, on the 16th of February, 1790. His parents were members of the Established Church ; and in the forms and principles of that communion they appear to have trained up all their children. During his early years, he was often the subject of good impressions ; and, although these did not directly issue in his conversion, they prepared him for the reception of “ the grace of God that bringeth salvation.” In the state of mind produced by these gracious visits from on high, he was accustomed to attend the Wesleyan chapel, then lately erected in his native town ; and under a faithful ministry, he was first awakened to a full sense of his lost condition as a sinner, and soon obtained mercy, and was made “ a new creature in Christ Jesus.” After discharging with credit and efficiency the duties of Prayer-Leader, Exhorter, and Local Preacher, he was received into the regular work, and appointed to labour in the Luton Circuit. Having for several months performed the work of an Evangelist in this place, he repaired to London, and was ordained by the late venerable Dr. Coke and others, on August 28th, 1812. In the ensuing spring he was sent as a Missionary to Newfoundland. His labours in that island, during four years, were remarkably owned of God, and honoured in the salvation of many souls. During his ministerial life Mr. Busby was stationed for a short time in Prince Edward's Island ; but the last twenty-nine years of that period were spent in Nova-Scotia and New-Brunswick. In both of these Districts the Head of the church gave him many seals to his ministry, and many souls for his hire. In his last illness he was sustained by the presence and grace of his heavenly Father, and was enabled to rejoice in the “ perfect love ” which “ casteth out fear.” He fell asleep in Jesus on Easter Sunday, March 31st, 1850, in the sixty-first year of his age, and the thirty-eighth of his ministry.

(4.) **JOHN MORTIER**. This much-esteemed and venerable Missionary was appointed to Nevis, in the West Indies, in the year 1814. His labours were owned of God in the islands of Nevis, St. Vincent's, Grenada, and St. Kitt's ; but it was in the colony of Demerara that he chiefly exercised his useful ministry. For

seventeen years he devoted himself to the spiritual interests of the inhabitants of that important and populous region. He was there during the period of the Rev. Mr. Smith's imprisonment and death; and he deeply sympathised with that injured man of God. Both before and after the date of emancipation, he enjoyed the confidence and esteem of all classes of the people, and was the honoured instrument of gathering many hundreds of precious souls into the fold of Christ, as well as of erecting several spacious chapels for the increasing congregations. Few Missionaries have enjoyed such a share of health as was graciously vouchsafed to Mr. Mortier, in a climate which, at best, is exhausting to an English constitution: still fewer prefer so protracted a period of foreign service. During the thirty-six years thus employed, Mr. Mortier returned twice to his own country;—in 1828, for the purpose of recruiting his health; and in 1848, after increasing infirmities had compelled him to become a Supernumerary. But in both instances, after a brief residence in England, he returned to that work which was ever the object of his devoted preference, and in which, as his health permitted, he laboured to the last. He was a godly, intelligent, and amiable man; one whose memory will long be held in high estimation by his surviving colleagues, and by all who had the opportunity of knowing his character and worth. He died of apoplexy, on the night of the 13th of June, 1850. An attack of the same disease some weeks previously had brought him into a very feeble state; but he recovered, though not perfectly. He was enabled, however, to resume his work of occasional preaching, in which he greatly delighted. During his affliction his soul was richly profited: he sought, in devotional exercises, more intimate intercourse with God, and was greatly comforted and strengthened with might by the Spirit in the inner man. He was evidently ripening for his inheritance; and often said to Mrs. Mortier and others, "My work is done." On the evening of his death he prayed with much fervour, and appeared as well as usual. About ten o'clock he was seized with apoplexy. The summons had arrived, and he was prepared to meet it. His soul was peaceful and happy, and about twelve o'clock he departed to his rest.

Q. V. Are there OBJECTIONS to any of our Ministers, or Preachers on Trial?

A. They were examined one by one.

Q. VI. What persons, who were in full connexion with the Conference, have now CEASED TO BE RECOGNISED as Ministers among us?

A. 1. John Thomas, 2d, Samuel Jones, M.A.

2. James Bromley.

3. George Elliott and John Hirst.

4. James Walton has retired from our work.
5. Nicholas C. Pridham has retired for the present.
6. A. D. Ponniah and S. Davasagayam, Assistant Missionaries, are discontinued, on account of their adherence to the system of caste.

Q. VII. How are our Ministers, and Preachers on Trial, STATIONED for the ensuing year?

A. As follows; viz.,—

GREAT BRITAIN.

[N.B. Each of the places mentioned in these Stations, and numbered from 1 to 498, is the head of a Circuit.]

The Superintendent and other Minister or Ministers stationed in or appointed to the several Circuits undermentioned, is and are appointed by the Conference to preach, and to perform all acts of religious worship and Methodist discipline, in each and every of the Wesleyan-Methodist Chapels already erected, or to be erected, within each Circuit respectively, within the space of twelve calendar months, at such time or times, and in such manner, as to him or them shall seem proper; subject nevertheless to the Superintendent Minister.]

[JOHN BEECHAM, D.D., PRESIDENT OF THE CONFERENCE.
JOHN HANNAH, D.D., SECRETARY.]

I.—THE LONDON DISTRICT.

- 1 *First London, (City-Road, &c.,)* Joseph Fowler, Joseph Hargreaves, Thomas Pennington, Frederick J. Jobson, J. Gilchrist Wilson, James Allen, 3d; Joshua Fielden, William Brocklehurst, James Whitworth, Supernumeraries.

George Cubitt and William L. Thornton, M.A., Editors; John Mason Book-Steward.

Jabez Bunting, D.D., Robert Alder, D.D., and Elijah Hoole, General Secretaries for our Missions; John Hebb, President's Assistant; Samuel Young, Superintendent, under the direction of the Missionary Committee, of the Irish Missions and Schools.

Wesleyan Theological Institution :—

Dr. Bunting, President of the Institution.

Southern Branch, Richmond, Thomas Jackson, Theological Tutor; Samuel Jackson, House-Governor; John Farrar, Classical Tutor; John D. Geden, Assistant Tutor.

Northern Branch, Didsbury, John Bowers, House-Governor; JOHN HANNAH, D.D., SECRETARY OF THE CONFERENCE, Theological Tutor; Jonathan Crowther, Classical Tutor; Benjamin Hellier, Assistant Tutor.

Uxbridge, David Barley.

N.B. Brother Barley shall act under the direction of the House-Governor at Richmond.

- 2 *Second London*, (*Great Queen-Street, &c.*,) John Lomas, George Maunder, William Arthur ; Robert Wood, Joseph Walker, Supernumeraries.
- 3 *Third London*, (*Spitalfields, &c.*,) Peter M'Owan, Joseph Stinson, William O. Booth, Theophilus Woolmer ; James Baker, Supernumerary.
- Thames Mission*, William A. Quick, who shall change once on each Sabbath with the Ministers of the Third London Circuit.
- 4 *Fourth London*, (*Southwark, &c.*,) John Rigg, Willson Brailsford, James Wheeler ; James H. Rigg, Supernumerary.
- 5 *Fifth London*, (*Lambeth, &c.*,) John Hall, David Hay, Thomas Nightingale, Luke Tyerman ; Thomas Key, Supernumerary.
- 6 *Sixth London*, (*Hinde-Street, &c.*,) Joseph Beaumont, M.D., Alexander Strachan, John Nelson, 1st, Daniel West ; Joseph Sutcliffe, A.M., Joseph Lewis, William M. Bunting, John C. Leppington, Supernumeraries.
- 7 *Seventh London*, (*Chelsea, &c.*,) William Naylor, George Scott, 1st ; John Bicknell, Supernumerary.
- 8 *Eighth London*, (*Islington, &c.*,) John Scott, John Rattenbury, Thomas Vasey, Edward Lightwood, Michael C. Taylor ; John Kershaw, Isaac Phenix, sen., Isaac Phenix, jun., Supernumeraries.
- 9 *Deptford*, John Brown, 1st, John Lyth ; Thomas Rogers, Supernumerary.
- N.B. The Superintendent shall reside at Greenwich.
- 10 *Woolwich*, Robert Thompson, Henry Edwards.
- 11 *Hammersmith*, William D. Goy, Jacob Morton.
- 12 *Croydon*, John Knowles, 1st, Thomas Wilkinson ; Edward Chapman, Supernumerary.
- 13 *Barking and Romford*, George Ranyell, who shall change once in every four weeks, on the Lord's day, with the Ministers of the Third London Circuit.
- 14 *Leyton*, William Burnett, who shall change twice in every quarter of a year, on the Lord's day, with the Ministers of the First and Eighth London Circuits.
- N.B. Brother Burnett shall reside at Woodford, Essex.
- 15 *Ware and Bishop-Stortford*, John Richards, 2d, Robert T. Rundle.
- 16 *Cambridge*, James Brownell, Marmaduke C. Osborn.
- 17 *Windsor*, William Box, Joshua Mottram.
- 18 *Chelmsford*, William Drewitt, Henry W. Jackson, B.A.
- 19 *Maldon*, Joseph B. West, John Reacher.
- 20 *Calchester*, James Ray, George Blencowe ; William Sharpe, Supernumerary.

- 21 *Manningtree*, Thomas Turner, Robert Keyworth, Robert S. Ellis.
N.B. Brother Keyworth shall reside at Harwich.
- 22 *Ipswich*, Ebenezer Moulton, Edward Crofts, John Harrop ; George North, Supernumerary.
N.B. Brother Crofts shall reside at Woodbridge, Suffolk.
- 23 *Hastings*, Henry W. Williams, Thomas Akroyd ; James Lancaster, Henry Padgham, Supernumeraries.
- 24 *Sevenoaks*, Samuel Lucas, 1st, Alexander T. James.
- 25 *Tunbridge-Wells*, Walter O. Croggon, Benjamin Frankland, jun., B.A., John Skidmore.
N.B. Brother Frankland shall reside at Tunbridge.
- 26 *Lewes and Eastbourne*, Joseph Pechey, who shall change regularly with the Ministers of the Brighton Circuit.
- 27 *Brighton*, William Barton, John Harvard, John Jones, 4th.
N.B. Brother Harvard shall reside at Worthing.
- 28 *St. Alban's*, Maurice Britton, Richard Woodfin, Charles E. Woolmer.
N.B. Brother Woolmer shall reside at Watford.
- 29 *Guildford and Alton*, Richard Chapman, John Eglinton, James A. Macdonald.
N.B. Brother Eglinton shall reside at Alton, and Brother Macdonald at Godalming.
- 30 *Dorking and Horsham*, John Owen, George Buckley.
N.B. Brother Buckley shall reside at Horsham.

JOHN BEECHAM, D.D., PRESIDENT OF THE CONFERENCE, *Chairman of the District.*

FREDERICK J. JOBSON, *Financial Secretary.*

II.—THE BEDFORD AND NORTHAMPTON DISTRICT.

- 31 *Bedford and Ampthill*, Joseph Entwisle, Walter Coates, Thomas B. Goodwin ; Maximilian Wilson, William Dixon, Supernumeraries.
- 32 *Leighton-Buzzard*, John Wevill, Charles Carter, Henry Banks.
N.B. Brother Banks shall reside at Stewkley.
- 33 *Luton*, Thomas Stephenson, Matthew T. Male.
- 34 *Dunstable*, Peter Cooper, John Vanes.
- 35 *St. Neot's*, John D. Julian, James Sugden.
- 36 *Biggleswade*, Wright Shovelton, John W. Wilson.
- 37 *Hitchin*, Thomas Dove, who shall change on one Sunday in every six weeks with the Ministers of the Biggleswade Circuit.
- 38 *Huntingdon*, Thomas M. Rodham, Nathaniel Alston, John Moore ; John Piggott, Supernumerary.
- 39 *Northampton*, Benjamin Andrews, LL.D., William Tarr ; William Hinson, William Taylor, Supernumeraries.
- 40 *Towcester*, James S. Haigh, Henry Keet.
- 41 *Daventry*, William Jewett, James Golding, William Ford.

- 42 *Newport-Pagnell*, John Booth, James Hartle.
 43 *Higham-Ferrers*, Samuel H. Wardley, William J. Dawson.
 44 *Wellingborough*, John Cullen, John Dawson.
 45 *Kettering*, John Mann ; Henry Fish, A.M., Supernumerary.
 46 *Market-Harborough*, Thomas Pearson, 1st, Charles Hillard ;
 Richard Eland, sen., Supernumerary.
 N.B. Brother Hillard shall devote every other
 Sabbath to the Kettering Circuit.
 47 *Chatteris*, Benjamin G. Mitchell, Benjamin Field.
 48 *Oundle*, John Tucker, George Rowe ; Isaac Aldom,
 Supernumerary.

BENJAMIN ANDREWS, LL.D., *Chairman of the District.*
 PETER COOPER, *Financial Secretary.*

III.—THE KENT DISTRICT.

- 49 *Canterbury*, James Cooke, 1st, Edward Fison.
 50 *Faversham*, Jesse Pilcher, Charles G. Turton.
 51 *Rochester*, Thomas Martin, William H. Rule, Benjamin
 Gregory.
 52 *Gravesend*, John Hobkirk, Henry J. Thomas.
 N.B. Brother Thomas shall reside at Dartford.
 53 *Sheerness*, William Wedlock, who shall change on one Sunday
 in every six weeks with the Ministers of the
 Rochester Circuit.
 54 *Margate*, Joseph Hollis, John G. Wilson ; Robert Morton,
 Supernumerary.
 N.B. Brother Wilson shall reside at Ramsgate.
 55 *Dover*, Thomas W. Smith, John Philp, William B. Pope ;
 James Jarrett, Supernumerary.
 56 *Deal*, James Rathbone, John Gilbert.
 57 *Rye*, James Cheeswright, Jabez Overton.
 58 *Tenterden*, John W. Dawson, Edward B. Pinder.
 59 *Ashford*, Joseph Wilson, Henry Pollinger.
 60 *Sandhurst*, Jabez Rought, Robert Dyson.
 61 *Maidstone*, John Geden, William Hopewell.
Sittingbourne, John Smith, 1st, who shall change on one Sunday
 in every four weeks with the Ministers at
 Faversham.

THOMAS MARTIN, *Chairman of the District.*
 JAMES COOKE, 1st, *Financial Secretary.*

IV.—THE NORWICH AND LYNN DISTRICT.

- 62 *Norwich*, James J. Topham, Thomas Thompson, A.M.,
 Thomas Rigby ; John Hanwell, Supernumerary.
 63 *Bungay*, James Jones, 1st, John Livingston ; William
 Edwards, 1st, Supernumerary.
 64 *North-Walsham*, Charles Povah, George Smith, 1st, Robert
 Horwood.
 65 *Yarmouth*, James Allen, 2d, Thomas Rowe ; James Waller,
 Supernumerary.

- 66 *Lowestoff*, Francis S. Keeling, Frederick F. Edmunds.
 67 *Framlingham and Peasenhall*, Joseph Sykes, James Youngman.
 68 *Diss*, Thomas Brumwell, John Sharman, Joseph L. Ball; John Reynolds, 1st, Supernumerary.
 69 *New-Buckenham*, Robert Mainwaring, James F. Masters.
 70 *Bury St. Edmund's*, Richard Tabraham, John Danks.
 71 *Holt*, William Worker, Robert G. Badcock.
 72 *Lynn*, William Wilson, 2d, Thornley Smith, James D. Dodgson.
 73 *Swaffham*, Samuel Brown, 1st, Joseph Mortimer.
 74 *Downham*, John Bissell, Matthew Giles.
 75 *Walsingham*, Daniel Hateley, William Baddeley.
 76 *Wisbeach*, William Dalby, Thomas Hughes.
 77 *Thetford*, Theophilus Pugh, Joseph Portrey.
 N.B. Brother Portrey shall reside at Methwold.
 78 *Mildenhall*, Thomas Brothwood, Charles Garrett; Thomas Newton, Supernumerary.
 79 *Ely*, Samuel Trueman, Thomas Batten, John Bate.
 JAMES J. TOPHAM, *Chairman of the District*.
 JAMES ALLEN, 2d, *Financial Secretary*.

V.—THE OXFORD DISTRICT.

- 80 *Oxford*, Robert Day, John E. Cooke.
 81 *High-Wycombe*, James Bartholomew, Thomas Withington.
 82 *Aylesbury*, George F. Driver, John Webb.
 83 *Witney*, Peter C. Horton, John Dowty.
 84 *Banbury*, Richard Hornabrook, Richard Bell.
Kineton, John Anderson, who shall change on one Sunday in every month with the Ministers at Banbury.
 85 *Newbury*, William Davies, 2d, James P. Fairbourn.
 86 *Reading*, Thomas Hodson, Alexander Puddicombe; Samuel Leigh, Supernumerary.
 87 *Hungerford*, Charles Williams, Uriah Butters, Charles Willis.
 88 *Watlington*, Edmund Lockyer.
Thame, John P. Johnson; Paul Clarke, Supernumerary.
 N.B. The Ministers of the two preceding Circuits shall change on one Sunday in every six weeks.
 89 *Brackley*, John Pearce, George Clement, John S. Vickers.
 90 *Chipping-Norton*, Samuel Cooke, Miles B. Pickering.
 91 *Swindon*, Ebenezer Tovey, James Hughes.
 N.B. Brother Hughes shall reside at Far-
ringdon.
 92 *Wantage*, James Mayer, James Cooke, 3d.
 N.B. Brother Cooke shall reside at Abingdon.
 ROBERT DAY, *Chairman of the District*.
 PETER C. HORTON, *Financial Secretary*.

VI.—THE PORTSMOUTH DISTRICT.

- 93 *Portsmouth*, William M. Harvard, A.M., Jacob Stanley, jun., John Crawshaw.

- 94 *Gosport*, George Beard, who shall change with the Ministers at Portsmouth on one Sunday in each month.
- 95 *Salisbury*, John Nicklin, William Hopkins ; William Tranter, Supernumerary.
- 96 *Poole*, James Smeeth, Richard Eland, jun. ; James Hyde, Supernumerary.
- Wareham*, William Watson, who shall act under the direction of the Superintendent at Poole.
- 97 *Wimborne*, John Fletcher, Joseph Simpson ; Thomas Fletcher, Supernumerary.
- 98 *Ringwood*, John Bonser, who shall change regularly on the Lord's day with the Ministers at Poole.
- 99 *Newport, Isle of Wight*, John Wood, 1st, John Parry, Henry B. Brown, George C. Harvard.
N.B. Brother Parry shall reside at Cowes, Brother Brown at Ryde, and Brother Harvard at Ventnor.
- 100 *Southampton and Winchester*, John Crofts, William Clegg, James Smith ; Richard Waddy, John Willis, Supernumeraries.
N.B. Brother Smith shall reside at Winchester.
- 101 *Andover*, Thomas Bolas, Jacob Turvey.
- 102 *Chichester*, William Worth, Francis T. Tranmer.
- WILLIAM M. HARVARD, A.M., *Chairman of the District.*
JACOB STANLEY, JUN., *Financial Secretary.*

VII.—THE GUERNSEY DISTRICT.

- 103 *Guernsey, (English,)* Ninian Barr ; William Toase, William Wears, Supernumeraries.
N.B. Brother Toase is appointed to take the superintendency of the English work in Alderney.
- 104 *Guernsey, (French,)* John Renier, George Leale ; James Hocart, Supernumerary.
- 105 *Alderney*, John de Putron.
- 106 *Jersey, (English,)* Joseph Earnshaw, Edwin Thorley ; James Etchells, Supernumerary.
- 107 *Jersey, (French,)* *St. Helier's*, Philip Tourgis, William J. Hancock ; Amice Olivier, Supernumerary.
- 108 *Jersey, (French,)* *St. Peter's*, Daniel Robin.
James Hocart is the Editor of the French Magazine.
- JOSEPH EARNSHAW, *Chairman of the District.*

VIII.—THE DEVONPORT DISTRICT.

- 109 *Devonport*, John Smith, 2d, Samuel W. Christophers, Robert Rees.
- 110 *Plymouth*, James Mowat, Thomas Wood, George T. Morrison ; Thomas Bersey, Oliver Henwood, Joshua Wade, Supernumeraries.
- 111 *Launceston*, Thomas Jewell, John W. Roberts.

- 112 *Holsworthy*, John Allin, John Shipham.
 113 *Kilkhampton*, John L. Sanders, Henry W. Holland.
 114 *Liskeard*, Richard Moody, Edward Addison.
 115 *Callington*, William Sanders, Thomas Chope.
 116 *Tavistock*, John Ryan, 2d, William Way; Nicholas Sibly,
 Henry Hicks, Supernumeraries.
 117 *Camelford*, Edward Branston, James Fisher; John Robinson,
 Supernumerary.
 N.B. Brother Fisher shall reside at Wadebridge.
 118 *Kingsbridge*, Humphrey B. Trethewey, John Lewis, 2d.
 N.B. Brother Lewis shall reside at Modbury.
 119 *Brixham*, Elijah Toyne, James Mitchell.
 N.B. Brother Mitchell shall reside at Dartmouth.
 120 *Ashburton*, Henry Daniels, Hender Geach.
 N.B. Brother Geach shall reside at Buckfastleigh.
 JOHN SMITH, 2d, *Chairman of the District*.
 JAMES MOWAT, *Financial Secretary*.

IX.—THE CORNWALL DISTRICT.

- 121 *Redruth*, Robert Bond, John G. Avery, John W. Greeves.
 122 *Camborne*, Thomas Hardy, Joseph Midgley, John Gostick.
 N.B. Brother Gostick shall reside at Tuckingmill.
 123 *Falmouth*, Levi Waterhouse, Joseph T. Sanger; John
 Osborne, Supernumerary.
 N.B. Brother Sanger shall reside at Penryn.
 124 *Truro*, Edward Nye, Michael Johnson.
 125 *Gwennap*, William Henley, George Savery, Joseph Spencer.
 N.B. Brother Savery shall reside at St. Day.
 126 *St. Agnes*, Henry Young, William D. Tyack.
 127 *St. Austle*, Thomas Collins, Joseph Payne, John M'Kenny.
 128 *St. Mawes*, Peter Parsons, who shall change once in every
 month, on the Lord's day, with the Ministers at
 St. Austle.
 129 *Bodmin*, Benjamin Elvins, John Bramwell.
 130 *St. Columb*, Josiah Mycock, Mark Symons.
 131 *Penzance*, Robert Young, John H. James, Henry L. Church;
 John Reynolds, 2d, Ralph Scurrah, Supernu-
 meraries.
 N.B. Brother Church shall reside at Newlyn.
 132 *St. Just*, Everit Vigis, Edwin J. Sturges.
 133 *St. Ives*, William P. Burgess, A.M., Ebenezer R. Talbot, A.M.
 134 *Scilly Islands*, John B. Alexander; Thomas Robinson, Supernu-
 merary.
 135 *Helstone*, Benjamin Carvosso, James Pilley, Thomas
 Osborne; William Sleep, Joseph Womersley,
 Charles Colwell, Supernumeraries.
 136 *Hayle*, William Appleby, John Killick, John P. James.
 137 *Marazion*, John Gregory, Elias Geake.

ROBERT YOUNG, *Chairman of the District*.
 EDWARD NYE, *Financial Secretary*.

X.—THE EXETER DISTRICT.

- 138 *Exeter*, James Grose, William Seccombe; James Odgers, William Beal, Supernumeraries.
Crediton, John Hugill.
 139 *Tiverton*, James Cooke, 2d, William F. Clark.
 140 *Taunton and Wellington*, Samuel Beard, Thomas Leach; John Hobson, Governor and Chaplain of the Wesleyan Proprietary School; John Simmons, Supernumerary.
 N.B. Brother Leach shall reside at Wellington.
 141 *Bridgewater*, William Culcheth, George Moone.
 142 *South-Petherton*, John Saunders, John Nowell, 2d.
 N.B. Brother Nowell shall reside at Crewkerne.
 143 *Axminster*, John Collier, who shall change on one Sabbath in every month with the Ministers at Bridport.
 144 *Budleigh-Salterton*, John M. Budden, William Lees.
 145 *Bridport*, William Hill, 1st, James Nance.
 N.B. Brother Nance shall reside at Lyme-Regis.
 146 *Barnstaple*, Robert Colman, Henry Hayman.
 147 *South-Moulton*, James Sutch, James Hargreaves.
 148 *Bideford*, John Williams, John Mollard, Frederick C. Haime; John C. Clendinnen, Supernumerary.
 N.B. Brother Mollard shall reside at Great-Torrington.
 149 *Dunster*, Thomas Jefferies, Charles J. Williams.
 N.B. The Superintendent shall reside at Williton.
 150 *Oakhampton*, William S. Bestall, William Williams, 2d.
 151 *Teignmouth*, George Barnley, William P. Slater, Joseph Exell.
 N.B. Brother Exell shall reside at Newton-Bushell, and Brother Slater at Torquay.

JOHN HOBSON, *Chairman of the District.*
 JAMES GROSE, *Financial Secretary.*

XI.—THE BRISTOL DISTRICT.

- 152 *Bristol, North, (King-Street, &c.,)* Corbett Cooke, William Hurt, John W. Etheridge, Ph. D., John C. Pengelly; John Woodrow, William Griffith, Robert James, Supernumeraries.
 153 *Bristol, South, (Langton-Street, &c.,)* John W. Button, Charles Westlake, William Hessel.
 154 *Kingswood*, Charles Clay, George Kevern; Joseph Cusworth, Governor of Kingswood School.
 155 *Banwell*, Joseph Crump, Thomas Sheers, Thomas James; John Shipman, Supernumerary.
 N.B. Brother James shall reside at Weston-super-Mare.
 156 *Stroud*, Thomas Webb, George B. Mellor, John Brown, 3d.
 N.B. Brother Brown shall reside at Cirencester.
 157 *Dursley*, William Davies, 1st, John Weatherstone, Charles

Howe; Thomas Talboys, Daniel Osborne, Supernumeraries.

N.B. Brother Weatherstone shall reside at Eastington.

158 *Downend, (near Bristol,)* James Meadmore, William Powell, 2d.

159 *Gloucester,* John Smedley, Richard Roberts.

160 *Tewkesbury,* John Evans, 1st, Edwin Fice; James Roberts, Supernumerary.

161 *Chellenham,* John Kirk, 1st, William H. Cornforth, William Edwards, 2d; Frederick Calder, George Robinson, Supernumeraries.

N.B. Brother Edwards shall reside at Winchcombe.

162 *Newport, (Monmouthshire,)* Thomas Jones, 1st, Frederick Payne, John T. Morley; Charles Haime, Supernumerary.

N.B. Brother Payne shall reside at Pillgwenlly.

163 *Cardiff,* Charles Tucker, John S. Workman.

N.B. 1. Brother Workman shall reside at Pontypridd.

2. The Ministers at Cardiff and Bridgend shall change once in six weeks.

164 *Bridgend,* John Spencer Jones.

165 *Monmouth,* William Baker, sen., Henry Laughner; Thomas Arnett, Supernumerary.

166 *Abergavenny and Pontypool,* Hugh Carter, Thomas Rogerson, Edward Guest.

N.B. The Superintendent shall reside on the Pontypool side of the Circuit.

167 *Ledbury,* Thomas Catterick, John Parsons.

168 *Forest of Dean,* Samuel Wesley, who shall change with the Ministers at Ledbury once a month.

169 *Hereford,* Samuel Taylor, John Bramley.

CORBETT COOKE, *Chairman of the District.*

CHARLES WESTLAKE, *Financial Secretary.*

XII.—THE BATH DISTRICT.

170 *Bath,* Peter Duncan, William Willan, John V. B. Shrewsbury; Thomas Ashton, Henry Cheverton, Supernumeraries.

171 *Bradford, (Wilts.,)* Hugh Jones, George F. White.

N.B. Brother White shall reside at Trowbridge.

172 *Midsomer-Norton,* Joseph Lowthian, Josiah Goodwin, John Samuel Jones.

173 *Frome,* John Newton, Henry M. Harvard.

Warminster, William Allen, 3d, who shall change with the Ministers at Frome once in six weeks.

174 *Melksham,* James Taylor, 1st, Walter Vercoe.

175 *Devizes,* Thomas Payne, who shall change on one Sunday in every six weeks with the Ministers at Melksham.

- 176 *Shepton-Mallet*, James Lees, Thomas Flower.
N.B. Brother Flower shall reside at Coleford.
- 177 *Castle-Carey and Bruton*, William Colbron.
N.B. The Ministers of the Shepton-Mallet and
Castle-Carey Circuits shall change once a month.
- 178 *Sherborne*, Zephaniah Job, Uriah Scott; John Bustard,
Supernumerary.
- 179 *Weymouth*, Edward Jennings, Joseph Watson.
N.B. Brother Watson shall reside at Portland.
- 180 *Dorchester*, John Stevens, Jonathan Dent.
- 181 *Shaftesbury*, John W. Cotton, Thomas R. Jones.
- 182 *Glastonbury*, Henry V. Olver, John Walter.
PETER DUNCAN, *Chairman of the District*.
HUGH JONES, *Financial Secretary*.

XIII.—THE FIRST SOUTH WALES DISTRICT.

(ENGLISH PREACHING.)

- 183 *Swansea*, William Bytheway, William Williams, 1st; Evan
Parry, John Coates, Supernumeraries.
N.B. Brother Williams shall reside at Neath.
- 184 *Merthyr-Tydvil*, Joseph Fletcher, James Emory, William H.
Bakewell, Thomas Vinson.
- 185 *Brecon*, Paul Orchard, sen., Paul Orchard, jun.
- 186 *Carmarthen*, Joseph Pratten, Thomas Harding; Thomas Warren,
Supernumerary.
N.B. Brother Harding shall reside at Llanelly.
- 187 *Haverford-West*, John Morgan, Aaron Langley.
N.B. Brother Langley shall reside at Milford.
- 188 *Pembroke*, Thomas Heeley, John Martin.
JOSEPH PRATTEN, *Chairman of the District*.
WILLIAM BYTHEWAY, *Financial Secretary*.

XIV.—THE SECOND SOUTH WALES DISTRICT.

(WELSH PREACHING.)

- 189 *Merthyr-Tydvil*, Rowland Hughes, Benjamin Roberts, Griffith
Roberts.
- 190 *Crickhowell*, Owen Owen, William Rowlands.
- 191 *Cardiff*, Henry Wilcox, Richard Evans.
- 192 *Cowbridge*, John Rees.
N.B. 1. Brother Evans shall divide his labours
between the Cardiff and Cowbridge Circuits.
2. The Superintendents shall change on one
Sunday in every two months.
- 193 *Brecon*, Timothy Jones.
- 194 *Llandilo*, Ebenezer Morgan; Morgan Griffith, Supernu-
merary.
N.B. The Ministers in the Brecon and Llandilo
Circuits shall change on one Sunday in every
quarter.

- 195 *Carmarthen*, Thomas Jones, 2d, Joseph Jones; Hugh Hughes, Supernumerary.
- 196 *Swansea*, Robert Williams; William Hughes, Evan Hughes, Supernumeraries.
- 197 *Lampeter and Cardigan*, Lewis Williams, David Evans, 2d; Griffith Hughes, Robert Owen, Supernumeraries.
N.B. The Superintendent shall reside at Lampeter.
- 198 *St. David's*, Isaac Jenkins.
N.B. The Ministers in the Cardigan and St. David's Circuits shall change on one Sunday in every quarter.
- 199 *Aberystwith*, John Lloyd, David Jones, 2d.
- 200 *Machynlleth*, John Herbert; William Evans, Supernumerary.
N.B. The Ministers in the Machynlleth and Aberystwith Circuits shall change on one Sunday in every six weeks.
- 201 *Llanidloes*, Evan Richards, Book-Steward; John Jones, 3d, Editor; Edward Jones, 1st, Supernumerary.
THOMAS JONES, 2d, *Chairman of the District*.
ISAAC JENKINS, *Financial Secretary*.

XV.—THE NORTH WALES DISTRICT.

(WELSH PREACHING.)

- 202 *Ruthin and Denbigh*, John Bartley, William Jones.
- 203 *Llangollen*, John L. Richards, Evan Davies.
- 204 *Corwen*, John Hughes, 1st.
N.B. 1. Brother Davies shall divide his labours between the Llangollen and Corwen Circuits.
2. The Superintendents shall change on two Sundays in every quarter.
- 205 *Llanrwst*, Edward Anwyl, James Jones, 2d, Robert Jones, 2d.
N.B. The Superintendent shall reside at Abergele.
- 206 *Holywell*, William Owens, Thomas Morris.
- 207 *Mold*, John Richards, 1st, Isaac Jones.
- 208 *Llanasa, (near Holywell)*, Lewis Jones.
N.B. The Ministers of the Llanasa and Holywell Circuits shall change on two Sundays in every quarter.
- 209 *Beaumaris*, Humphrey Jones, Evan Pugh.
- 210 *Amlwch*, Methuselah Thomas.
N.B. 1. Brother Pugh shall divide his labours between the Beaumaris and Amlwch Circuits.
2. The Superintendents shall change on two Sundays in every six weeks.
- 211 *Carnarvon*, David Gravel.
- 212 *Bangor*, Richard Bonner, John Evans, 2d.
N.B. The Ministers of the two preceding Circuits shall change on two Sundays in every quarter.
- 213 *Pwllheli*, Robert Jones, 1st; Evan Edwards, Supernumerary.

- 214 *Barmouth*, David Evans, 1st, Charles Nuttall.
 N.B. The Ministers of the two preceding Circuits shall change on two Sundays in every quarter.
- 215 *Dolgelly*, William Davies, 3d, Daniel Jones.
- 216 *Llanfyllin*, Richard Prichard, John Hughes, 2d; William Batten, David Jones, 1st, Supernumeraries.
- 217 *Llanfair*, William Powell, 1st.
 N.B. The Ministers of the two preceding Circuits shall change on two Sundays in every quarter.
- EDWARD ANWYL, *Chairman of the District.*
 JOHN L. RICHARDS, *Financial Secretary.*

XVI.—THE BIRMINGHAM AND SHREWSBURY DISTRICT.

- 218 *Birmingham, West, (Cherry-Street, &c.,)* James Methley, George B. Macdonald, Edward Brice, Thomas Green; James Heaton, Robert Melson, William Bridgell, Supernumeraries.
- 219 *Birmingham, East, (Belmont-Row, &c.,)* John Bedford, James Dixon, D.D., John Hartley.
- 220 *West-Bromwich*, William Jackson, 1st, William H. Sargent.
- 221 *Wednesbury*, Thomas Harris, Benjamin Slack, John Keightley, William Exley, Thomas Kent.
- 222 *Walsall*, Thomas Edwards, John Stirzaker, James Parkes; Jabez Yardley, Supernumerary.
- 223 *Wolverhampton*, Robert Sherwell, John H. Norton, James Clapham.
- 224 *Dudley*, James Allen, 1st, John W. Thomas, James E. Moulton, George Curnock; William Homer, Supernumerary.
- 225 *Stourbridge*, Benjamin John, Christopher Ridler, Richard Hardy; Samuel Sugden, Supernumerary.
- 226 *Stourport*, Henry Powis, Edward Russell; Jacob Stanley, sen., Supernumerary.
- 227 *Worcester*, John Walsh, Joseph Hunt.
- 228 *Bromsgrove*, Henry Ranson, who shall change on one Sabbath in every six weeks with the Ministers at Redditch.
- 229 *Evesham*, Charles Vibert, Joseph Willis.
- 230 *Redditch*, William Ricketts, Robert Horsfield.
- 231 *Coventry*, Charles Janion, John Roberts, 2d.
- 232 *Leamington*, Elijah Morgan, Alexander T. Weir.
- 233 *Stratford-upon-Avon*, Thomas Denham, who shall change on one Sabbath in every month with the Ministers at Leamington.
- 234 *Hinckley*, Thomas Jeffery, Thomas Pearson, 4th; William Stokes, Supernumerary.
- 235 *Shrewsbury*, John Tindall, Anthony Ward; Benjamin Wood, Supernumerary.
- 236 *Madeley, (near Ironbridge,)* James B. Holroyd, John Smart, William Moss, Frederick W. Briggs.
- 237 *Wellington*, William Piggott, Edward Bramford, John Nelson, 2d.

- 238 *Ludlow*, Ralph Stott, John Locke.
 239 *Kington*, Joseph T. Wilkinson, Joseph Posnet.
 JAMES METHLEY, *Chairman of the District*.
 JOHN BEDFORD, *Financial Secretary*.

XVII.—THE MACCLESFIELD DISTRICT.

- 240 *Macclesfield*, Alexander Bell, Nehemiah Curnock, William R. Rogers, Joseph Mood; Barnard Slater, Supernumerary.
 N.B. Brother Rogers shall reside at Bollington.
 241 *Buxton*, Thomas A. Rayner, Robert J. T. Hawksley.
 242 *Congleton*, John D. Carey, George Hurst.
 243 *Namptwich and Crewe*, James Godden, William Swallow.
 N.B. Brother Swallow shall reside at Crewe.
 244 *Northwich*, Thomas Stokoe, Thomas Richardson.
 245 *Burslem*, Charles Cheetham, John Simon; Myles C. Dixon, Supernumerary.
 N.B. Brother Simon shall reside at Hanley.
 246 *Tunstall*, Andrew Mackintosh, Charles Rawlings.
 N.B. Brother Rawlings shall reside at Kids Grove.
 247 *Newcastle-under-Lyne*, Samuel Atkinson, Charles Nightingale.
 248 *Longton*, Abraham Watmough, Sampson Cock.
 N.B. Brother Cock shall reside at Stoke.
 249 *Stafford*, Charles Hawthorne, Thomas Hulme.
 250 *Leek*, Thomas Hickson, William Brailey, John B. Dyson.
 251 *Uttoxeter*, Jonathan Barrowclough, Edward A. Telfer.
 252 *Cheadle*, Matthew Salt.
 N.B. Brother Salt shall change on one Sabbath in every four weeks with the Ministers at Uttoxeter.
 ALEXANDER BELL, *Chairman of the District*.
 THOMAS STOKOE, *Financial Secretary*.

XVIII.—THE LIVERPOOL DISTRICT.

- 253 *Liverpool, North*, (*Brunswick Chapel, &c.*,) William W. Stamp, William Illingworth, Samuel R. Hall; George Highfield, John Davis, Thomas Stead, Supernumeraries.
 254 *Liverpool, South*, (*Pitt-Street, &c.*,) Robert Newton, D.D.,—Robert Newstead, George Roebuck, Thomas Capp, William Spencer.
 255 *Liverpool, Welsh*, (*Benn's Gardens, &c.*,) Thomas Aubrey, John R. Chambers; Lot Hughes, Samuel Davies, 1st, David Williams, Supernumeraries.
 256 *Chester*, William B. Thorneloe, Joseph K. Tucker; Isaac Lilly, John Jones, 2d, Supernumeraries.
 257 *Mold and Buckley-Mount*, James Faulkner, who shall change with the Ministers of the Chester Circuit once in every six weeks.
 258 *Carnarvon and Bangor*, (*English*,) William H. Lewis.

- Holyhead*, William T. Nelson.
N.B. Brother Lewis and Brother Nelson shall change on two successive Sabbaths in each quarter.
- 259 *Wrexham*, Thomas Haswell, Thomas H. Brocklehurst.
N.B. Brother Brocklehurst shall reside at Oswestry.
- 260 *Whitchurch, (Salop,)* Robert Totherick, Benjamin Smith.
- 261 *Warrington*, Samuel Broadbent, George Dickinson.
- 262 *Runcorn*, Robert H. Hare, John Hanson.
N.B. Brother Hanson shall reside at Frodsham.
- 268 *St. Helen's and Prescott*, Joshua Hocken, John F. Moody.
- 264 *Southport and Ormskirk*, John Bell, Joseph B. Dawson; John Phillips, William Coultas, Supernumeraries.
N.B. Brother Dawson shall reside at Ormskirk.
- 265 *Wigan*, Robert Heys, Joseph Millar.
- 266 *Preston and Chorley*, Stephen Kay, Joshua Priestley, Edward Shelton.
N.B. Brother Priestley shall reside at Chorley.
- 267 *Garstang*, James Eacott, George Mather, Richard Smetham.
N.B. Brother Mather shall reside at Fleetwood.
- 268 *Lancaster*, Thomas Moss, Joseph Sutton.
- 269 *Newtown*, Harry Pedley, Edward Watson.
N.B. Brother Watson shall reside at Welshpool.
- ROBERT NEWTON, D.D., *Chairman of the District.*
WILLIAM W. STAMP, *Financial Secretary.*

XIX.—THE MANCHESTER AND BOLTON DISTRICT.

- 270 *First Manchester, (Oldham-Street, &c.,)* Israel Holgate, Samuel Simpson, George T. Perks, George C. Taylor; Walter Hussey, Abraham Stead, Supernumeraries.
- 271 *Second Manchester, (Irwell-Street, &c.,)* Richard Ray, William Fox, 1st, William H. Taylor, John Kirk, 2d; Thomas Slugg, Supernumerary.
- 272 *Third Manchester, (Grosvenor-Street, &c.,)* Charles Haydon, William Elton, Henry Castle; John Bumstead, Supernumerary.
- 273 *Fourth Manchester, (Bridgewater-Street, &c.,)* William Kelk, John G. Cox.
(*Welsh,*) Samuel Davies, 2d, who shall act under the direction of the Superintendent of the Fourth Manchester Circuit.
- 274 *Fifth Manchester, (Oxford-Road, &c.,)* George Osborn, Alfred Barrett, Samuel Wilkinson, 2d; Peter Prescott, sen., Supernumerary.
- 275 *Altrincham*, James Rosser, Thomas S. Bowers, B.A.; William M'Kitrick, Supernumerary.
- 276 *Stockport, North, (Tiviot, Dale, &c.,)* Isaac Keeling, John Ryan, 1st, William T. Radcliffe.

- 277 *Stockport, South, (Hill-Gate, &c.,)* John Brandreth, John T. Yeates.
- 278 *New-Mills,* John Connon, Stephen P. Harvard.
- 279 *Glossop,* John Raby, James Ford; George Marsden, Supernumerary.
- 280 *Ashton-under-Lyne,* Joseph Roberts, William H. Bambridge, Charles B. Ritchie; Luke Heywood, Supernumerary.
N.B. Brother Bambridge shall reside at Hyde.
- 281 *Oldham,* Samuel Timms, James Harris; John Heape, Supernumerary.
- 282 *Delph, (Saddleworth,)* William Bramford, who shall change on one Sabbath in every five weeks with the Ministers at Oldham.
- 283 *Bolton,* John M'Owan, John E. Coulson, James Little, Frederick F. Woolley.
N.B. Brother Woolley shall reside at Farnworth.
- 284 *Rochdale,* Thomas Staton, Samuel Merrill.
- 285 *Burnley,* Jonathan J. Bates, John M. Kirk, John H. Lord.
- 286 *Bury,* William Wilson, 3d, John Vine, Edmund Oldfield.
- 287 *Blackburn,* Benjamin Clayton, Francis W. Greeves.
- 288 *Haslingden,* Benjamin Frankland, sen., John Hearnshaw, Josiah Pearson; William Sleigh, Supernumerary.
- 289 *Bacup,* John Walker, Joseph Moorhouse.
N.B. Brother Moorhouse shall reside at Longholme, Rawtenstall.
- 290 *Colne,* Benjamin Gartside, John Eaton.
- 291 *Clitheroe,* Dixon Naylor, George E. Young.
- 292 *Leigh,* John Boyd.
N.B. Brother Boyd shall change on one Sabbath in every six weeks with the Ministers at Bolton.
- JOHN HANNAH, D.D., *Chairman of the District.*
JONATHAN CROWTHER, *Financial Secretary.*

XX.—THE HALIFAX AND BRADFORD DISTRICT.

- 293 *Halifax,* George Turner, 1st, Henry H. Chettle, Elijah Jackson; Michael Cousin, John W. Barritt, Supernumeraries.
- 294 *Huddersfield, First, (Queen-Street, &c.,)* James Carr, Alexander M'Aulay.
- 295 *Huddersfield, Second, (Buxton-Road, &c.,)* Francis A. West, Amos Learoyd, Edmond Knaggs.
- 296 *Holmfirth,* James Miller, John H. Faull; Thomas Hill, Supernumerary.
- 297 *Sowerby-Bridge,* James C. Hindson, John Ward, 1st, Joseph Binns.
- 298 *Todmorden,* Aquila Barber, Robert S. Hardy, John Luddington.
- 299 *Denby-Dale, (near Huddersfield,)* George Croft, William Harley.
- 300 *Bradford, West, (Kirkgate Chapel, &c.,)* James Shoar, John Morris; Stephen Wilson, Joseph Pretty, Supernumeraries.

- 301 *Bradford, East, (Eastbrook Chapel, &c.,)* William Bird, Daniel Walton, James D. Brocklehurst.
- 302 *Great-Horton, (near Bradford,)* John T. Barr, John Ward, 2d.
- 303 *Keighley,* Thomas Dunn, George Hughes, Thomas Brookes.
N.B. Brother Hughes shall reside at Haworth.
Letters should be sent to Haworth, near Keighley.
- 304 *Bingley,* James Catton, George Greenwood.
- 305 *Shipley,* Samuel Allen, who shall change on one Sabbath in every five weeks with the Ministers at Bingley.
- 306 *Skipton,* William Levell, Joseph Garrett.
- 307 *Addingham,* Thomas Murray, Pascho Hoskins.
- 308 *Grassington,* John Smithson, who shall change on one Sabbath in every six weeks with the Ministers at Skipton.
- 309 *Settle,* Christopher Newton, John Jeffreys.

FRANCIS A. WEST, *Chairman of the District.*
HENRY H. CHETTLER, *Financial Secretary.*

XXI.—THE LEEDS DISTRICT.

- 310 *First Leeds, (Brunswick Chapel, &c.,)* Robert Jackson, George Steward, Thomas Williams, 1st; Isaac Turton, John Roadhouse, William Vevers, Supernumeraries.
- 311 *Second Leeds, (Oxford-Place Chapel, &c.,)* Edward Walker, William H. Clarkson, John Burton, Thomas S. Monkhouse; Thomas Rowland, Supernumerary.
- 312 *Third Leeds, (St. Peter's Chapel, &c.,)* John P. Haswell, Joseph Lawton, Thomas O. Keysell.
- 313 *Fourth Leeds, (Wesley Chapel, &c.,)* Thomas H. Squance, John Watson, William R. Williams.
- 314 *Bramley, (near Leeds,)* William Binning, James Kendall, 1st, Robert M. Willcox; Charles Radcliffe, Supernumerary.
- 315 *Wakefield,* William Atherton, Benjamin Clough, Thomas Shaw, George Smith, 3d.
- 316 *Birstal,* Isaac Denison, Matthew Cranswick, James Scholes; John Hodgson, James Fowler, Hodgson Casson, Supernumeraries.
- 317 *Dewsbury,* Richard Heape, William J. Shrewsbury, William Dawson.
N.B. Brother Dawson shall reside at Mirfield.
- 318 *Knaresborough,* John Roberts, 1st, William Wilson, 4th; Luke Barlow, Supernumerary.
- 319 *Otley,* Benjamin Pearce, Richard Petch; William Waterhouse, Supernumerary.
- 320 *Pateley-Bridge,* Abraham Crabtree, John I. Dredge.
- 321 *Pontefract,* Samuel Fiddian, Robert Inglis, Samuel Hooley, John Harding; John Sedgwick, Thomas Moxon, Joseph Nicholson, Supernumeraries.
N.B. Brother Harding shall reside at Knottingley.

- 322 *Cleckheaton*, William Winterburn, Peter Prescott, jun.
N.B. Brother Prescott shall reside at Brighthouse.
- 323 *Yeadon*, (near *Leeds*,) Leonard Posnet.
- 324 *Woodhouse-Grove*, John Knowles, 2d, Samuel Lord; William Lord, Governor of Woodhouse-Grove School.
N.B. 1. Brother S. Lord shall divide his labours between the Yeadon and Woodhouse-Grove Circuits.
2. Letters to the Superintendent should be directed to Idle, near Leeds; and letters for the School should be directed to Woodhouse-Grove, Apperley-Bridge, near Leeds.

WILLIAM ATHERTON, *Chairman of the District*.
JOSEPH LAWTON, *Financial Secretary*.

XXII.—THE SHEFFIELD DISTRICT.

- 325 *Sheffield, West*, (*Carver-Street, &c.*,) William Allen, 1st, Joseph Wood, Thomas P. Clark, John Hornby; Samuel D. Waddy, Governor and Chaplain of the Wesleyan Proprietary School; John M'Lean, Supernumerary.
- 326 *Sheffield, East*, (*Norfolk-Street, &c.*,) William Smith, 1st, Joseph T. Milner, Frederick Griffiths, Edward Jones, 2d.
- 327 *Chesterfield*, William Parker, William Lindley.
- 328 *Bakewell*, Moses Rayner, Thomas Derry.
- 329 *Bradwell*, David Cornforth, Henry Cattle.
- 330 *Rotherham*, Edward Sumner, Richard Brown.
- 331 *Wath*, (near *Rotherham*,) Adam Fletcher, William Sugden.
- 332 *Doncaster*, Thomas Dickin, Daniel Chapman, James Laycock; Thomas Garbutt, 1st, Supernumerary.
- 333 *Barnsley*, Ralph R. Keeling, James Osborn.
- 334 *Retford*, John Brown, 2d, Henry Richardson, Thomas Sheldon.
- 335 *Worksop*, James Brooke, Henry J. Staley.

SAMUEL D. WADDY, *Chairman of the District*.
WILLIAM SMITH, 1st, *Financial Secretary*.

XXIII.—THE NOTTINGHAM AND DERBY DISTRICT.

- 336 *Nottingham, South*, (*Halifax Chapel, &c.*,) James Loutit, Robert Maxwell, Samuel Walker, 1st; Daniel S. Tatham, Supernumerary.
- 337 *Nottingham, North*, (*Wesley Chapel, &c.*,) George Taylor, Timothy C. Ingle, Samuel Coley, Joshua Duffill.
- 338 *Ilkestone*, Alexander Hume, Henry Balls.
- 339 *Mansfield*, John Crowe, John P. Lockwood; Richard Allen, Supernumerary.
- 340 *Newark*, William B. Stephenson, John Randerson; John Hickling, Supernumerary.
- 341 *Bingham*, Martin Jubb, Thomas Crosby.

- 342 *Leicester*, Joseph Raynar, Richard Rymer; John Denton,
David Deakin, Supernumeraries.
- 343 *Melton-Mowbray*, Robert Gover, Edward Horton.
- 344 *Oakham*, James Stott, Andrew Rennard.
N.B. Brother Rennard shall reside at Uppingham.
- 345 *Stamford*, Henry Kirkland, William Jackson, 3d; John
Ingham, Supernumerary.
- 346 *Grantham*, Joseph Floyd, William J. Skidmore, Peter Feather-
stone.
- 347 *Peterborough*, William W. Rouch, William O. Aldom, Joseph
Bate.
- 348 *Loughborough*, James Wilson, Frederick Slight.
- 349 *Castle-Donington*, John Parkes, Rupert Chawner.
- 350 *Derby*, William Horton, John Lambert, John Relph;
Samuel Brocksop, Supernumerary.
- 351 *Ashbourne*, Richard Sergeant, who shall change once in every
month with the Ministers at Derby.
- 352 *Belper*, George Birley, George Hagen.
- 353 *Ripley, (near Alfreton,)* Isaac Harding, John S. Ridsdale.
- 354 *Ashby-de-la-Zouch*, John Hague, George Hobill.
- 355 *Burton-on-Trent*, Henry Wilkinson, William Parkinson.
- 356 *Cromford*, John F. England, William B. Dennis.

GEORGE TAYLOR, *Chairman of the District.*
JAMES LOUTIT, *Financial Secretary.*

XXIV.—THE LINCOLN DISTRICT.

- 357 *Lincoln*, William Bacon, Peter Budd, William Cattle, Thomas
S. Wood.
- 358 *Sleaford*, John Nicholson, Edward Sackett, Philip Fowler.
- 359 *Market-Raisen*, John B. Whittingham, William Baker, jun.;
Thomas Padman, Supernumerary.
- 360 *Louth*, John Stephenson, William Bond, Joseph Heaton,
John Clulow; James Bumstead, Supernumerary.
- 361 *Horncastle*, Thomas H. Walker, John Talbot, John Blackwell;
James Hopewell, Supernumerary.
- 362 *Alford*, Thomas Armson, Thomas Eckersley; Robert
Bryant, Supernumerary.
- 363 *Spilsby*, Jonathan Cadman, George Oyston.
- 364 *Coningsby*, Seth Dixon, who shall change with the Ministers
at Boston and Horncastle, once in every six
weeks with each Circuit.
- 365 *Boston*, Philip Hardcastle, James P. Dunn.
- 366 *Wainfleet*, Ambrose Freeman, David Griffiths.
- 367 *Spalding*, Thomas Burrows, Henry D. Lowe, William
Rodman.
N.B. Brother Lowe shall reside at Holbech.
- 368 *Bourne*, John Bowman, Abel Burgess.

WILLIAM BACON, *Chairman of the District.*
PETER BUDD, *Financial Secretary.*

XXV.—THE HULL DISTRICT.

- 369 *Hull, West, (Waltham-Street, &c.,)* Charles Prest, Henry Bleby, William Jackson, 2d.
- 370 *Hull, East, (George-Yard, &c.,)* Henry Davies, Thomas Llewellyn, William Davison.
- 371 *Beverley,* Samuel Brown, 2d, Robert Lyon; Samuel Crompton, Supernumerary.
- 372 *Driffeld,* Samuel Wilde, Joseph Officer.
- 373 *Howden,* John P. Sumner, William Ingram.
- 374 *Patrington,* Thomas Brown, Richard Smailes.
- 375 *Hornsea,* Joseph Cheesewright, Edward King; John Jones, 1st, Supernumerary.
- 376 *Grimsby,* Benjamin Firth, Robert Dugdale, Henry Hastling, George Scott, 2d; Edward Abraham, Supernumerary.
- 377 *Gainsborough,* William Crookes, Thomas Short, Henry J. Booth.
- 378 *Epworth,* Benjamin Hudson, Robert Harrison.
- 379 *Snaith,* Abel Dernaley, Samuel Simmons, William G. Duncan.
- N.B. Brother Simmons shall reside at Goole.
- 380 *Brigg,* Thomas D. Baines, George Southern.
- 381 *Barton,* Thomas Cocking, Nathan Rouse, William Exton; John Nowell, 1st, Supernumerary.
- 382 *Bridlington,* Thomas Eastwood, Jarvis Cheesman, Edward Stokes; Charles North, Supernumerary.

HENRY DAVIES, *Chairman of the District.*

HENRY BLEBY, *Financial Secretary.*

XXVI.—THE YORK DISTRICT.

- 383 *York,* Samuel Tindall, Benjamin B. Waddy, William Davenport, Gervase Smith; John Burdsall, Anthony Triffit, William Carlton, Matthew Mallinson, Supernumeraries.
- 384 *Tadcaster,* William Wilkinson, Matthew Banks.
- 385 *Pocklington,* Samuel Rowe, Henry Owen.
- 386 *Malton,* John Jackson, William H. Robson, James Kendall, 2d; Daniel Jackson, Supernumerary.
- 387 *Easingwold,* Josiah Hudson, Richard Stepney, William Stevinson.
- N.B. Brother Stevinson shall reside at Helmsley.
- 388 *Scarborough,* Richard Felvus, William Jessop, James Collier; Francis Collier, Supernumerary.
- 389 *Pickering,* John M. Joll, William P. Peck; Joseph Frank, Supernumerary.
- 390 *Thirsk,* William Robson, Francis Barker, Jesse Edgoose, John Kemp, Supernumerary.
- 391 *Ripon,* William Ash, Timothy R. Moxon; Thomas Kilner, Supernumerary.

- 392 *Selby*, John Bolam, William Faulkner, William Fox, 2d.
 SAMUEL TINDALL, *Chairman of the District*.
 BENJAMIN B. WADDY, *Financial Secretary*.

XXVII.—THE WHITBY AND DARLINGTON DISTRICT.

- 393 *Whitby*, William J. Bullivant, Thomas Garbutt, 2d, John Cannell.
 394 *Stokesley*, John Haigh, Henry Graham, Thomas Timms;
 William Rennison, Joseph Hutton, Supernumeraries.
 395 *Darlington*, George Jackson, Luke H. Wiseman.
 396 *Stockton*, Peter Samuel, Thomas M. Fitzgerald, Henry Smallwood.
 N.B. Brother Fitzgerald shall reside at Hartlepool, and Brother Smallwood at Middlesborough.
 397 *Barnard-Castle*, Henry Hine, George Russell, Robert Cass.
 N.B. Brother Russell shall reside at Barningham, near Richmond, Yorkshire.
 398 *Bishop-Auckland*, Robert Cooke, Felix H. Pickworth.
 399 *Middleham*, John I. Muff, George Abbott.
 400 *Richmond*, James S. Thomas, Joshua Mason.
 401 *Reeth*, Thomas Kemshall, Robert W. Broomfield.
 402 *Bedale*, James Bate, Jabez Ingham; William Shackleton, Supernumerary.
 N.B. Brother Ingham shall reside at Masham.
 GEORGE JACKSON, *Chairman of the District*.
 PETER SAMUEL, *Financial Secretary*.

XXVIII.—THE NEWCASTLE DISTRICT.

- 403 *Newcastle-upon-Tyne*, William Burt, William Pemberton, William Andrews, William M. Punshon; Francis Neale, Supernumerary.
 404 *Gateshead*, Joseph Burgess, Joseph Kipling.
 405 *North-Shields*, Robert Leake, Matthew Andrew.
 406 *Blyth*, Samuel Bowman, John Elam.
 407 *South-Shields*, William Chambers, John Walters.
 408 *Sunderland*, Isaac Woodcock, John H. Beech, John Hay; Humphrey Stevenson, George Clarke, Supernumeraries.
 409 *Houghton-le-Spring*, Samuel Lucas, 2d, John Wetherell.
 410 *Durham*, John Wilson, 1st, Robert Lewis, Joseph Chapman.
 411 *Wolsingham*, John Imisson, Henry Needle.
 412 *Hexham*, Joseph Whitehead, William Hirst.
 413 *Shotley-Bridge*, Peter Wilkinson, Thomas M'Cullagh.
 414 *Alston*, Thomas Ballingall, William Shaw, 2d.
 415 *Allendale-Town*, George Ellidge, Samuel Haigh.
 416 *Alnwick*, David Edgar.
 417 *Berwick*, Lancelot Railton, who shall change on two Sundays in each quarter with Brother Edgar.

- 418 *Morpeth*, George Paterson, who shall change on one Sunday in every three weeks with the Ministers in the Blyth Circuit.

WILLIAM BURT, *Chairman of the District*.
WILLIAM PEMBERTON, *Financial Secretary*.

XXIX.—THE CARLISLE DISTRICT.

- 419 *Carlisle*, Hugh Beech, John W. Crankshaw.
420 *Brampton*, Hugh Johnson, who shall change on one Sunday in every three weeks with the Ministers at Carlisle.
421 *Whitehaven*, Thomas Savage, Samuel Walker, 2d.
422 *Workington*, James Lemmon, Edward Baylis.
N.B. Brother Baylis shall reside at Cockermouth.
423 *Appleby*, Thomas J. Walker, William Foster; John Felvus, Supernumerary.
N.B. Brother Foster shall reside at Brough.
424 *Penrith*, William Simpson, William Shearman, Thomas G. Horton.
425 *Wigton and Keswick*, Alexander Mansie, Thomas H. Hill.
N.B. Brother Hill shall reside at Keswick.
426 *Kendal*, John Lewis, 1st, John Longden; James Dunbar, William Huddleston, Supernumeraries.
427 *Ulverstone*, Charles Currelly, John Baker.
428 *Dumfries*, Alfred Lockyer, who shall change once a quarter with the Ministers at Carlisle.

HUGH BEECH, *Chairman of the District*.
WILLIAM SIMPSON, *Financial Secretary*.

XXX.—THE ISLE OF MAN DISTRICT.

- 429 *Douglas and Castletown*, Roger Moore, Gregory A. Page, Joseph Hirst, Theophilus Talbot.
430 *Ramsay and Peel*, John Rossell, Samuel Healey, Samuel T. Greathhead.

ROGER MOORE, *Chairman of the District*.

XXXI.—THE EDINBURGH AND ABERDEEN DISTRICT.

- 431 *Edinburgh*, Robert M. MacBrair, M.A., George Turner, 2d, William L. Horton.
432 *Dunbar and Haddington*, Robert Brown, who shall change with the Ministers at Edinburgh, under the direction of the Superintendent.
433 *Glasgow and Paisley*, John P. Hetherington, William Hales; William France, William Harvie, Supernumeraries.
Greenock, Samuel M'Aulay, who shall change with the Ministers at Glasgow on one Sunday in every six weeks.
434 *Airdrie*, William Allen, 4th, John T. Duncan.

- 435 *Stirling and Doune*, Henry Dean, William Mearns, A.M.
 436 *Ayr*, James Beckwith.
 437 *Aberdeen*, John Hannah, 2d, Richard Martin, Thomas T. Dilks ; George Douglas, 1st, Supernumerary.
 438 *Dundee*, Jabez Palmer.
 439 *Perth*, John C. George, who shall change once in every six weeks with the Minister at Dundee.
 440 *Arbroath and Montrose*, John Drake, Alfred Abbott.
 N.B. Brother Drake shall reside at Montrose.
 441 *Banff*, Robert Haworth.
 442 *Inverness*, Edmund B. Warters, who shall change with the Minister at Banff on two Sundays in every six months.

JOHN DRAKE, *Chairman of the District.*
 JOHN HANNAH, 2d, *Financial Secretary.*

XXXII.—THE SHETLAND ISLES DISTRICT.

- 443 *Lerwick*, Thompson Hesk, Daniel Farquhar, William Parsonson.
 N.B. Brother Farquhar shall reside at Dunrossness, and Brother Parsonson in the Island of Whalsay.
 444 *Walls*, James Findlay.
 445 *Northmavin and Delting*, Benjamin N. Haworth.
 446 *North Isles*, William Fern ; William Langridge, Supernumerary.
 N.B. Brother Fern shall reside in the Island of Unst.

THOMPSON HESK, *Chairman of the District.*

IRELAND.

I.—THE DUBLIN DISTRICT.

- 447 *Dublin, South, (Centenary Chapel, &c.,)* Daniel M'Afee, Joseph W. M'Kay, James Hutchison ; Robinson Scott, Governor and Chaplain of the Wesleyan Connexional School ; William Ferguson, William Stewart, John Waugh, Arthur Noble, Thomas Beamish, James S. Waugh, Supernumeraries.
 448 *Dublin, North, (Abbey-Street Chapel, &c.,)* William P. Appelbe, LL.D., Robert Huston, John Duncan ; Henry Deery, Michael Burrows, Supernumeraries.
 449 *Kingstown*, Robert Masaroon ; George M'Elwain, George Burrows, Supernumeraries.
 450 *Drogheda*, William Cather, John Carey.
 451 *Wicklow*, Henry J. Giles, who is to reside in Rathdrum, John Hazleton, who is to reside in Arklow.

ROBERT MASAROON, *Chairman of the District.*

II.—THE WATERFORD DISTRICT.

- 452 *Waterford*, John Holmes, Robert G. Jones.
 453 *Carlow*, William Reilly, Colin M'Kay; Robert Banks,
 Supernumerary.
 454 *Newtownbarry*, Robert Bamford, Edward Johnston, 2d.
 455 *Wexford*, Edward M. Banks, George Magee.
 WILLIAM REILLY, *Chairman of the District*.

III.—THE CORK DISTRICT.

- 456 *Cork*, John Greer, Anketell M. Henderson; Joshua
 Harman, Supernumerary.
Queenstown, James B. Gillman, Supernumerary.
 457 *Bandon*, Henry Price, Frederick Stephens,—Thomas Waugh.
 458 *Skibbereen*, Robert Bruce, Mortlock Long.
 THOMAS WAUGH, *Chairman of the District*.

IV.—THE LIMERICK DISTRICT.

- 459 *Limerick*, Thomas Meredith, John Donald.
 460 *Roscrea*, John Williams, William Crook, jun.
 461 *Cloughjordan*, James Murdock; John Rogers, Supernumerary.
 N.B. Letters for Brother Murdock should be
 directed to Borrisokane.
 THOMAS MEREDITH, *Chairman of the District*.

V.—THE TULLAMORE DISTRICT.

- 462 *Tullamore*, William Crook, sen., John Saul.
 463 *Athlone*, William Lough.
 464 *Maryborough*, John Nelson, Richard Maxwell.
 465 *Longford*, William Mulloy, Thomas K. Whitaker; William
 Keys, Supernumerary.
 WILLIAM CROOK, SEN., *Chairman of the District*.

VI.—THE SLIGO DISTRICT.

- 466 *Sligo*, James Tobias, George Vance.
 467 *Castlebar*, John Hill.
 468 *Ballina*, John H. Atkins, Robert Johnston; Charles
 M'Cormick, Supernumerary.
 469 *Boyle*, John Bagley.
 JOHN HILL, *Chairman of the District*.

VII.—THE CLONES DISTRICT.

- 470 *Clones*, James Black, Alexander Twiss.
 471 *Cootehill*, Robert Hamilton, Samuel Johnston.
 472 *Killesandra*, Nathaniel Hobart, John C. Storey.
 N.B. Letters for Brother Storey should be directed
 to Newtowngore.
 473 *Castleblaney and Monaghan*, James Donald, John Gilbert.
 474 *Aughnacloy*, James Hughes.
 JAMES HUGHES, *Chairman of the District*.

VIII.—THE ENNISKILLEN DISTRICT.

- 475 *Enniskillen*, James Patterson, William Browne ; Robert Crozier, John Nesbitt, Supernumeraries.
 476 *Brookborough*, Samuel Cowdy, John Gilcriest.
 477 *Manorhamilton*, Frederick Elliott, Joseph Johnston.
 478 *Lowtherstown*, William G. Campbell, William Hoey, 1st ; William Douglas, Supernumerary.
 479 *Ballyshannon and Pettigo*, Robert Bell, John Reid Porter ; Samuel Kyle, Supernumerary, who resides in Pettigo.
 JAMES PATTERSON, *Chairman of the District*.

IX.—THE LONDONDERRY DISTRICT.

- 480 *Londonderry*, Gibson M'Millen, John Dwyer.
 481 *Strabane*, Robert H. Lindsay, William Christie ; William Finley, Supernumerary.
 482 *Omagh*, Robert J. Meyer, Thomas Pearson ; James M'Cutchan, Robert Carson, Supernumeraries.
 ROBERT H. LINDSAY, *Chairman of the District*.

X.—THE BELFAST DISTRICT.

- 483 *Belfast, South, (Donegal-Square Chapel, &c.,)* Thomas Ballard, John Oliver ; Edward Johnston, 1st, John Campbell, Supernumeraries.
 484 *Belfast, North, (Frederick-Street Chapel, &c.,)* William Lupton, Benjamin Bayly ; Thomas Ridgeway, Samuel Downing, Supernumeraries.
 485 *Ballyclare*, Robert Hewitt.
 486 *Donaghadee*, John Armstrong, John Higgins, who resides in Newtownards ; Samuel M'Dowell, who resides in Kirkcubbin, and Edward Cobain in Newtownards, Supernumeraries.
 487 *Carrickfergus*, John Nash, who resides in Larne, Robert Beauchamp.
 488 *Coleraine*, Wallace M'Mullen, James Bass.
 489 *Magherafelt*, John Jebb, Thomas W. Baker.
 490 *Lisburn*, Robert Wallace, Charles L. Grant ; William Armstrong, Supernumerary.
 491 *Downpatrick*, William M'Garvey, Robert Collier.
 WILLIAM LUPTON, *Chairman of the District*.

XI.—THE NEWRY DISTRICT.

- 492 *Newry*, Edward Harpur, Thomas A. M'Kee.
 493 *Dungannon*, William Hoey, 2d, Robert Hazleton ; Edward Hazleton, who resides in Moy, Supernumerary.
 494 *Armagh*, Richard T. Tracy, Edward Best.
 495 *Lurgan*, Hugh Moore, Robert G. Cather, A.M.

- 496 *Moir and Dromore*, John Liddy, who resides in Moira, Robert A. Devers.
- 497 *Tandragee*, John Foster, Henry M. Beale, A.B.; James Lynch, who resides in Gilford, Supernumerary.
- 498 *Portadown*, John F. Mathews, James Collier; James Johnston, Supernumerary.
- JOHN F. MATHEWS, *Chairman of the District.*

IRISH AND FOREIGN MISSIONS.

I. EUROPE.

IRELAND.

- 1 *Lucan and Trim*, William Burnside, James Shaw.
- 2 *Kilkenny*, John Walker, George Chambers.
- 3 *Tipperary*, James Carey.
- 4 *Youghal*, James Henry.
- 5 *Fermoy*, Frederick P. Le Maitre; John Harrington, Supernumerary, who resides in Mallow.
- 6 *Kinsale*, Robert Black.
- 7 *Berehaven-Mines*, Thomas M'Lorinan.
- 8 *Kerry*, John Hughes.
N.B. Letters should be addressed to Tralee.
- 9 *Ballinasloe*, Thomas Hickey.
- 10 *Nenagh and Killaloe*, James Sullivan, Samuel Ferguson.
- 11 *Kilrush*, Francis Stephens.
- 12 *Galway*, Henry Geddes; William Cornwall, Supernumerary.
- 13 *Belmullet and Erris*, John H. Robinson.
- 14 *Cavan*, Thomas Foster. One to be sent.
N.B. Letters should be addressed to Belturbet.
- 15 *Donegal*, William B. Lebert, Robert H. Campbell, who is to reside in Dunkaneely.
- 16 *Rathmelton*, Francis Morrow.
- 17 *Newtownlimavady*, Jeremiah Wilson.
- 18 *Ballymena*, John Feely.

FRANCE AND SWITZERLAND.

- 19 *Paris*, Charles Cook, John W. Close.
- 20 *Calais*, Philip Guiton.
- 21 *Boulogne*, James Aldis, Supernumerary.
- 22 *Caën, Le Bocage, &c.*, Peter Lucas, Charles C. de Boinville, who shall reside at Lisieux.
- 23 *Bar-le-Duc*, William Ogier.
- 24 *Nismes, Anduze, La Vaunage, and La Gardonnègue*, Henry de Jersey, John L. Rostan, Peter Massot, Luke Pulsford; Peter Roy, Assistant Missionary.

- 25 *Ganges, &c., (Les Cevennes, West,)* John le Lievre, Assistant Missionary; Henry Martin, Supernumerary.
 N.B. This Circuit will be for this year under the superintendence of Brother De Jersey.
- 26 *Nyons, &c., (Drôme and Upper Alps,)* Francis Farjat, Louis Martin, Philip Neel, Gideon Jaulmes.
- 27 *Lausanne and Aigle, (Switzerland,)* Matthew Gallienne.
- CHARLES COOK, *Chairman of the District, and General Superintendent of the Missions in France and Switzerland.*

MEDITERRANEAN MISSIONS.

- 28 *Gibraltar,* Hilton Cheesbrough; Spanish Department, George Alton.

II. ASIA.

CEYLON.

I.—THE SINGHALESE DISTRICT.

(SOUTH.)

- 29 *Colombo, South,* Daniel J. Gogerly; Andrew Kessen, LL.D., Principal of the Native Normal Institution under the Ceylon Government; William Hill, 2d; David de Silva, Native Minister.
- 30 *Colombo, North,* John A. Poulier, Native Minister.
- 31 *Negombo and Rillegalle,* Daniel D. Pereira, Native Minister.
 N.B. Brother Pereira shall visit Rillegalle once in every quarter.
- 32 *Kandy and Kornegalle,* To be visited under the direction of the General Superintendent.
- 33 *Seedua,* C. de Hoedt, Native Minister.
- 34 *Galkisse,* C. Wijesingha, Native Minister.
- 35 *Morotto,* P. G. de Zylva, Native Minister.
- 36 *Pantura,* D. L. A. Bartholomeuz, Native Minister.
- 37 *Caltura,* John R. Parys, Native Minister.
- 38 *Galle and Amblangodde,* William H. A. Dickson, Joseph Rippon.
- 39 *Belligam,* Paul Rodrigo, Native Assistant Minister.
- 40 *Matura, Dondra, and Goddapitiya,* W. A. Lalmon, Native Minister.
 N.B. The *Belligam, and Matura, Dondra, and Goddapitiya* Circuits are under the care of the Galle Superintendent.

DANIEL J. GOGERLY, *Chairman of the District, and General Superintendent of the Missions in South Ceylon.*

II.—THE TAMUL DISTRICT.

(NORTH.)

- 41 *Jaffna, Wannerponne, and Puttoor,* Peter Percival, James Gillings; Richard Watson, Native Minister.

- 42 *Point-Pedro and Cattavelley*, Edward J. Robinson.
 43 *Trincomalee*, John E. S. Williams.
 44 *Batticaloa, First, (Puleanteevo)*, John Walton; John S. Philips,
 Native Minister.
 45 *Batticaloa, Second, (Caravaoor)*, One earnestly requested.

PETER PERCIVAL, *Chairman of the District, and General Superintendent of the Missions in North Ceylon.*

CONTINENTAL INDIA.

I.—THE MADRAS DISTRICT.

- 46 *Madras*, Samuel Hardey, Peter Batchelor, Ebenezer E. Jenkins.
 47 *Negapatam and Tranquebar*, John Pinkney, John Kilner.
 48 *Manargoody and Trichinopoly*, Joseph Little.
 49 *Bangalore, (Tamul)*, Thomas Cryer.

SAMUEL HARDEY, *Chairman and General Superintendent of the Madras District.*

II.—THE MYSORE DISTRICT.

- 50 *Bangalore, (Canarese)*, John Garrett, Edward J. Hardey.
 51 *Mysore*, Daniel Sanderson, Thomas B. Glanville.
 52 *Goobbee and Toomkoor*, Two wanted; Henry O. Sullivan, Assistant Missionary.
 53 *Coonghul*, Joseph Morris. One wanted.

JOHN GARRETT, *Chairman and General Superintendent of the Mysore District.*

MISSIONS IN AUSTRALASIA AND POLYNESIA.

I.—THE AUSTRALIA AND VAN-DIEMEN'S LAND DISTRICT.

NEW SOUTH WALES.

- 54 *Sydney, North, (York-Street)*, William Binnington Boyce, General Superintendent; Francis Tuckfield, Joseph Oram.
 55 *Sydney, South, (Chippendale)*, John Eggleston.
 56 *Sydney, East, (Surrey-Hills)*, Benjamin Hurst.
 57 *Paramatta*, Nathaniel Turner.
 58 *Windsor*, Samuel Wilkinson, 1st; James Somerville, Assistant Missionary.
 59 *Bathurst*, Benjamin Chapman; William Byrnes, Assistant Missionary.
 60 *Hunter's-River*, William Schofield.
 61 *Camden*, No resident Missionary.
 62 *Wollongong*, No resident Missionary.
 63 *Goulburn*, Frederick Lewis.
 64 *Queenbeyan*, William Lightbody.
 65 *Moreton-Bay*, No resident Missionary. George Poole, Supernumerary.
 Scone, No resident Missionary.

AUSTRALIA FELIX.

- 66 *Melbourne*, William Butters; John Pemell, Assistant Missionary.
 67 *Geelong*, Thomas B. Harris.
 68 *Portland-Bay and Port-Fairy*, John Harcourt.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

- 69 *Adelaide*, Daniel J. Draper, Thomas T. N. Hull.
 70 *Burra-Burra*, William Lowe, Assistant Missionary.
 71 *Willunga*, William C. Currey, Assistant Missionary.
 72 *Kapunda*, John C. Symons, Assistant Missionary.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA.

- 73 *Swan-River*, John Smithies. One requested.

VAN-DIEMEN'S LAND.

- 74 *Hobart-Town and New-Norfolk*, Jonathan Innes, Henry H. Gaud.
 75 *Ross, &c.*, John A. Manton.
 76 *Launceston*, Edward Sweetman.
 77 *Westbury*, Jabez B. Waterhouse.
 78 *Oatlands*, James A. Learmouth, Assistant Missionary.

WILLIAM BINNINGTON BOYCE, *Chairman of the District, and General Superintendent of the Australia and Van-Diemen's Land Missions.*

II.—THE NEW-ZEALAND DISTRICT.

NORTHERN SECTION.

- 79 *Auckland and Pehiakura*, Walter Lawry, General Superintendent; Thomas Buddle.
Wesleyan College and Seminary, Joseph H. Fletcher.
Native Institution, (Three Kings,) Alexander Reid.
 80 *Manukau*, Henry H. Lawry.
 81 *Mangungu and Wangaroa*, John Hobbs.
 82 *Waima and Newark*, John Warren.
 83 *Wairoa, (Kaipara,)* James Buller.

MIDDLE SECTION.

- 84 *Kawhia*, John Whiteley.
 85 *Aotea, (Beecham-Dale,)* Gideon Smales.
 86 *New-Plymouth*, Henry H. Turton.
 87 *Waingaroa*, James Wallis.
 88 *Waipa and Wakatumutumu*, George Buttle.

SOUTHERN SECTION.

- 89 *Waimate*, William Woon.
 90 *Waitotara*, George Stannard, Assistant Missionary.
 91 *Wanganui and Taupo*, William Kirk.
 92 *Wellington*, James Watkin, John Aldred.
 93 *Nelson, (Middle Island,)* Samuel Ironside.
 94 *Waikowaiti, near Otago, (Middle Island,)* Charles Creed.

WALTER LAWRY, *Chairman of the District, and General Superintendent of the Missions in New-Zealand, and Visiter of the Missions in the Friendly and Feejee Islands.*

JOHN HOBBS, *Deputy-Chairman of the Northern Section of the New-Zealand District*; JOHN WHITELEY, *Deputy-Chairman of the Middle Section*; and JAMES WATKIN, *Deputy-Chairman of the Southern Section.*

III.—THE FRIENDLY ISLANDS DISTRICT.

- 95 *Tongatabu*, William Webb, Thomas West, George Daniel.
 96 *Habai*, Matthew Wilson, George R. H. Miller.
 97 *Vavau*, Peter Turner, Stephen Rabone, Thomas Adams,
 Walter J. Davis.

- 98 *Niua-Tabutabu and Niua-Fo-ou*, Benjamin Latuselu, Native Assistant Missionary.

N.B. 1. *Inui*, or *Savage Island*, and *Uvea*, or *Wallis's Island*, are chiefly under the care of Native Teachers. English Missionaries are earnestly requested.

2. John Thomas, 1st, is returning home.

PETER TURNER, *Chairman of the District.*

IV.—THE FEEJEE DISTRICT.

- 99 *Lakemba*, Richard B. Lyth, John Malvern; Joseph Waterhouse, Assistant Missionary.
 100 *Viwa and Bau*, James Calvert; William Moore, Assistant Missionary.
 101 *Bua*, Thomas Williams, 2d; John G. Millard, Assistant Missionary.

- 102 *Nandy*, David Hazlewood.

N.B. 1. *Ono, Lomaloma, Nokoratumba, Ba, Kandavu*, and *Rotumah*, are chiefly under the care of Native Teachers.

2. John Watsford is absent from the District on account of affliction.

RICHARD B. LYTH, *Chairman of the District.*

III. AFRICA.

SOUTHERN AFRICA.

I.—THE CAPE OF GOOD HOPE DISTRICT.

- 103 *Cape-Town and Rondebosch*, William Moister, Thomas L. Hodgson, Barnabas Shaw, Benjamin Ridsdale.
 104 *Wynberg, Simon's-Town, &c.*, Richard Haddy.
 105 *Stellenbosch*, Edward Edwards.
 106 *Somerset, (West,)* Richard Ridgill.
 107 *Khamies-Berg, (Little Namaqualand,)* Joseph Jackson.
 108 *Nisbett-Bath, (Great Namaqualand,)* John A. Bailie, Assistant Missionary.

- WILLIAM MOISTER, Chairman of the District, and General Superintendent of the Missions in the Cape of Good Hope District, in place of THOMAS L. HODGSON, who is disabled by severe affliction.**

COLONIAL CIRCUITS.

- N.B. The Ministers of the Colonial Circuits are to change regularly under the direction of the General Superintendent.**

121 *Mount-Coke and Wesleyville*, William Impey.
 122 *King William's Town*, John W. Appleyard.
 123 *East-London*, George Smith, 2d.
 124 *Haslope-Hills and Kamastone*, William Shepstone.
 125 *Lesseyton, Imvani, and Bonkolo*, John Ayliff; Joseph C. Warner,
 Supernumerary.
 126 *Wittebergen*, Johannes P. Bertram.

1. AMAXOSA.

- ## 2. ABATEMBU.

- ### 3. AMAMPONDO.

- WILLIAM SHAW, 1st, Chairman of the District, and General Superintendent of the Wesleyan Missions in South-Eastern Africa.**

III.—THE PORT-NATAL AND AMAZULU DISTRICT.

- 134 *D'Urban*, William C. Holden.
 135 *Pietermauritzberg*, Horatio Pearse, Joseph Gaskin.
 136 *Kwangubeni*, (*Zwaartkops*,) Calvert Spenseley.
 137 *Indaleni*, James Allison.
 138 *Palmerton*, (*Faku's Mission*,) Thomas Jenkins.

HORATIO PEARSE, *Chairman of the District.*

IV.—THE BECHUANA DISTRICT.

- 139 *Thaba-Unchu*, (*Baralongs*,) and *Lokualo*, (*Ligoia*,) James Cameron. One earnestly requested.
 140 *Plaatberg*, (*Newlanders and Basutos*,) Richard Giddy.
 141 *Mirametsu*, (*Korannas*,) Under the superintendence of the Missionary at Plaatberg. Cornelius V. D. Van Soelen, Assistant Missionary.
 142 *Lishuani*, (*Basutos*,) Joseph David Martin Ludorf, Assistant Missionary.
 143 *Umpukani*, (*Basutos*,) Gottlob Schreiner, Assistant Missionary.
 144 *Imparani*, (*Mantatees*,) Under the superintendence of the Missionary at Plaatberg.
 145 *Colesberg*, Purdon Smailes.

JAMES CAMERON, *Chairman of the District.*

WESTERN AFRICA.

I.—SIERRA-LEONE.

- 146 *Free-Town*, &c., James Edney, Walter Garry, Robert Gilbert, Richard Fletcher; George H. Decker, Native Assistant Missionary.
 147 *Hastings*, &c., Charles Knight, Native Missionary. One earnestly requested.
 148 *York*, &c., Joseph Wright, Native Missionary.
 N.B. Thomas Raston and Richard Hart are returning home.

JAMES EDNEY, *General Superintendent of the Wesleyan Missions at Sierra-Leone.*

II.—THE GAMBIA.

- 149 *St. Mary's and Barra-Point*, Henry Badger, Henry Hirst.
 150 *Ngabantang*, Vacant.
 151 *M'Carthy's Island*, Joseph May, Native Assistant Missionary.
 N.B. George Meadows is returning home.

HENRY BADGER, *General Superintendent of the Gambia Missions.*

III.—THE GOLD-COAST, ASHANTI, AND OTHER PARTS OF GUINEA.

- 152 *Cape-Coast Town, Dixcove, Sekundi*, &c., Thomas B. Freeman, Frederick Hart, and a Native Teacher.

- 153 *Anamabu, Akroful, &c.*, Ebenezer A. Gardiner, and a Native Teacher.
 154 *Domonasi, Abassa, Mansu, &c.*, John Hagan, Native Assistant Missionary, and a Native Teacher.
 155 *British Akrah, Winnibah, &c.*, Henry Wharton, and a Native Teacher.
 156 *Ashanti*, George B. Richards, and a Native Teacher.
 157 *Badagry and Abbeokuta*, John A. Martin, Native Assistant Missionary, and a Native Teacher.

THOMAS B. FREEMAN, *General Superintendent of the Wesleyan Missions in Guinea.*

IV. AMERICA.

WEST INDIES.

I.—THE ANTIGUA DISTRICT.

- 158 *Antigua*, William Fidler, William Ritchie, Joshua Jordan, Theophilus S. Gregory.
 159 *Dominica*, George Blanchflower, William F. Turtle.
 160 *Montserrat*, Thomas Cannell.
 161 *Nevis*, Robert Hawkins, Samuel Simons.
 162 *St. Christopher's*, James Cox, John B. Selley, Samuel Smyth, George Sargeant.
 163 *St. Eustatius and St. Bartholomew's*, Benjamin Tregaskis.
 164 *St. Martin's and Anguilla*, William T. Waymouth; John Hodge, Supernumerary.
 N.B. Letters, &c., for St. Eustatius and St. Martin's should be addressed to St. Christopher's.
 165 *Tortola*, William Satchell; Thomas M. Chambers, Assistant Missionary.
 N.B. Thomas Pearson, 3d, is returning home.

JAMES COX, *Chairman of the District, and General Superintendent of the Missions in the Antigua District.*

II.—THE ST. VINCENT'S AND DEMERARA DISTRICT.

- 166 *St. Vincent's, Kingstown*, John Corlett, Samuel Brown, 3d, John S. Ellison, John Wood, 2d.
 167 *St. Vincent's, Biabou*, William Bannister, Edward Collier, William Rotherham.
 168 *Grenada*, Henry Hurd.
 169 *Trinidad*, William L. Binks; James Elliott, Assistant Missionary.
 170 *Tobago*, John Horsford, Richard Wrench.
 171 *Demerara, George-Town*, James Bickford, William Heath, William Cleaver.
 N.B. Brother Heath shall reside at the Arabian Coast.

- 172 *Demerara, Victoria*, James Banfield.
 173 *Demerara, Mahaica*, William Limmex.
 174 *Barbadoes*, William Hudson, Thomas Butcher, Robert W. Clegg.
 N.B. Joseph Biggs is returning home.

WILLIAM BANNISTER, *Chairman of the District, and General Superintendent of the Missions in the St. Vincent's and Demerara District.*

III.—THE JAMAICA DISTRICT.

- 175 *Kingston*, Jonathan Edmondson, General Superintendent;
 David Kerr, Samuel Burrell, William Tyson,
 George Smith, 4th; Richard Harding, Super-
 numerary.
 176 *Montego-Bay and Lucea*, Martin Young, Thomas Phelps.
 177 *Spanish-Town*, Robert A. Johnson.
 178 *Morant-Bay*, Edward Fraser.
 179 *Guy's-Hill and Watsonville*, Aaron Edman.
 180 *Grateful-Hill*, William G. Stedman.
 181 *Falmouth*, Edwin Blake.
 182 *St. Ann's Bay*, Henry B. Foster.
 183 *Ocho-Rios*, William Sinclair.
 184 *Beechamville*, James Kerr, Assistant Missionary.
 185 *Bath and Port-Morant*, George Millsom, Alexander Foote.
 186 *Port-Antonio*, John Vaz, Assistant Missionary.
 187 *Clarendon*, Richard Ridyard.
 188 *Mount-Ward and Savannah-la-Mar*, William West; William
 Holdsworth, Assistant Missionary.
 189 *Brown's-Town*, Timothy Curtis.
 190 *Duncan's*, Joseph H. Carvosso.
 191 *Yallahs*, William Hodgson.
 192 *Mount-Fletcher*, Robert Brackenbury.
 193 *Linstead*, Henry B. Britten.
 194 *Manchioneal*, Herbert Carter.
 195 *Belize and Charibb-Town, (Honduras-Bay,)* Joseph Webster,
 Herbert W. Haime.
 N.B. James Atkins, James Rowden, John Mearns,
 and Edward S. Thompson are returning home.

JONATHAN EDMONDSON, *Chairman of the District, and General Superintendent of the Missions and Schools in Jamaica.*

IV.—THE BAHAMA DISTRICT.

- 196 *New-Providence*, Isaac Whitehouse, Samuel Annear.
 197 *Eleuthera, First, (Rock-Sound, &c.,)* William Williams, 3d.
 198 *Eleuthera, Second, (Governor's Harbour, &c.,)* Thomas Pearson, 2d.
 199 *Harbour-Island*, Thomas Lofthouse.
 200 *Abaco, (Green-Turtle-Bay, &c.,)* Alexander J. Thompson.
 201 *Turk's-Island*, William English.

ISAAC WHITEHOUSE, *Chairman of the District, and General Superintendent of the Missions in the Bahama Islands.*

V.—THE HAYTI DISTRICT.

- 202 *Port-au-Prince*, Mark B. Bird; Joseph A. Heureaux, Assistant Missionary.
 203 *Port-au-Plaat and Samana*, William Towler.
 204 *Jérémie*, Charles H. Bishop.
 205 *Cape-Haïtien and Gonaïves*, James T. Hartwell.
 206 *Cayes*, St. Denis Bauduy.

MARK B. BIRD, *Chairman of the District, and General Superintendent of the Hayti Missions.*

THE BRITISH DOMINIONS IN NORTH AMERICA.

I.—MISSIONS IN CANADA, WEST.

INDIAN MISSIONS.

- 207 *St. Clair Mission*, John K. Williston, who will exchange with Brother Gray once a fortnight.
 208 *Muncey*, Samuel Rose, whose attention shall be specially directed to the Industrial School; Abraham Sickles.
 209 *Saugeeng*, William Herkimer.
 210 *Grand-River*, William Ryerson.
 211 *New-Credit*, Rowley Heyland.
 212 *New-Market and Snake-Island*, Joseph Messmore, John Goodfellow.
 213 *Cartwright and Schoogog*, Stephen Miles.
 214 *Alderville*, William Case, whose attention shall be specially directed to the Industrial School. One to be sent.
 215 *Rice and Mud Lakes*, Robert Brooking, John Sunday.
 216 *Rama and Orilia*, William Steer.
 217 *Beausoliel and French-River*, To be supplied.
 218 *Sydenham and Owen's-Sound*, One wanted.

DOMESTIC MISSIONS IN THE NEW SETTLEMENTS.

- 219 *Gosfield*, Robert Corson.
 220 *Amherstburg*, Richard Whiting. One to be sent, who shall reside at Sandwich.
 221 *Mono*, William Dignam.
 222 *Notawasaga*, To be supplied.
 223 *St. Vincent*, To be supplied.
 224 *Barrie*, Lewis Warner. One to be sent.
 225 *Brock*, Cornelius Flummerfelt.
 226 *Goderich*, Samuel Fear, Thomas Peacock.
 227 *Adelaide*, To be supplied.
 228 *Wardsville*, Charles Silvester.
 229 *Stratford*, George Case.
 230 *Peel*, Charles Fish; Ezra Adams, Superannuated.

- 231 *Guelph*, James Spencer, William S. Griffin.
 232 *Chippewa*, Reuben E. Tupper, Nelson Brown.
 233 *Glandford and Seneca*, George Young. One to be sent. Andrew Prindel, Superannuated.
 234 *Shannonville*, William Chapman.
 235 *Norwood*, William Morton, Andrew Smith.
 236 *Hungerford*, Thomas Cleghorn.
 237 *Cornwall*, Edward Sallows, John Armstrong, 2d.
 238 *Osgoode*, Henry Shaler. One to be sent.
 239 *St. Andrew's*, Francis Coleman, Erastus Hurlburt.
 240 *Bonchere*, Thomas Hanna.
 241 *Clarendon and Onslow*, William M. Pattyson. One to be sent.

II.—CANADA: EASTERN DISTRICT.

- 242 *Montreal*, John Jenkins, Charles de Wolfe, A.M., Charles Lavell.
 243 *Quebec*, Charles Churchill.
 244 *Three-Rivers*, Thomas Campbell.
 245 *Wesleyville*, Henry Cox.
 246 *St. John's*, George H. Davis.
 247 *Chambly*, John Douglas.
 248 *Huntingdon*, James Brock.
 249 *Russelton*, Hugh Montgomery.
 250 *Odell-Town and Hemingford*, John C. Davidson.
 251 *Clarenceville*, Benjamin Slight, A.M.
 252 *St. Armand's*, John Borland.
 253 *Dunham*, William Scott.
 254 *Shefford*, Rufus A. Flanders.
 255 *Stanstead*, John Tomkins.
 256 *Compton*, Malcolm M'Donald.
 257 *Sherbrooke and Eaton*, Henry Lanton, John Armstrong.
 258 *Melbourne and Danville*, Edmund S. Ingalls.
 259 *Leeds*, Giffard Dorey.

WILLIAM SQUIRE, *Chairman of the District, and General Superintendent.*

III.—THE NOVA-SCOTIA DISTRICT.

- 260 *Halifax*, Ephraim Evans, John M'Murray; William Bennett, Supernumerary.
 261 *Halifax County*, Alexander W. M'Leod, George W. Tuttle.
 262 *Lunenburg*, Rowland Morton.
 263 *Liverpool and Mill's-Village*, Richard Weddall. One wanted.
 264 *Shelburne*, James Armstrong.
 265 *Barrington*, William Wilson, 1st.
 266 *Yarmouth*, Richard Williams.
 267 *Horton and Cornwallis*, Thomas H. Davies, Henry Pope, 2d.
 268 *Windsor*, John Marshall; Matthew Richey, D.D., Supernumerary.

- ## CAPE-BRETON.

- ## PRINCE EDWARD'S ISLAND.

- BERMUDA.**

- EPHRAIM EVANS, *Chairman of the District, and General Superintendent.***

284 *St. John, South, (Germain-Street, &c.,)* Richard Knight, Robert Cooney.

285 *St. John, North, (Portland,)* William Smith, 2d.

286 *St. John, West, (Carlton,)* William T. Cardy, James Taylor, 2d.

287 *Fredericton,* William Temple.

288 *Nashwaak,* One wanted.

289 *Sheffield, &c.,* William Smithson.

290 *Mill-Town,* Ingham Sutcliffe.

291 *St. Stephen's and St. David's,* George M. Barratt.

292 *St. Andrew's,* George Miller.

293 *Sackville,* James G. Hennigar.

294 *Point-de-Bute,* George Johnson.

295 *Petitcodiac,* William Allen, 2d.

296 *Hopewell,* Robert A. Chesley.

297 *Sussex-Vale,* Joseph F. Bent.

298 *Woodstock and Andover,* John Allison, John G. Manly.

299 *Annapolis,* Michael Pickles.

300 *Bridge-Town,* Arthur M'Nutt.

301 *Aylesford,* Richard Shepherd.

302 *Digby and Sissiboo,* One wanted.

- 303 *Miramichi*, Christopher Lockhart.
 304 *Richibucto*, R. Alder Temple.
 305 *Bathurst*, John Prince.
 306 *Dalhousie*, One earnestly requested.
 307 *Wesleyan Academy, Mount-Allison, Westmoreland*, Humphrey Pickard, A.M., Principal; Albert Desbrisay, Supernumerary, Chaplain.
 N.B. Henry Daniel is returning home.

RICHARD KNIGHT, *Chairman of the District, and General Superintendent.*

V.—THE NEWFOUNDLAND DISTRICT.

- 308 *St. John's*, Edmund Botterell, John S. Addy.
 309 *Harbour-Grace*, William E. Shenstone.
 310 *Carbonear*, James Norris.
 311 *Blackhead*, Thomas Angwin.
 312 *Perlican*, James England.
 313 *Island-Cove*, Samuel W. Sprague.
 314 *Port-de-Grave*, One earnestly requested.
 315 *Brigus*, John Snowball.
 316 *Trinity-Bay*, One wanted.
 317 *Bonavista*, Adam Nightingale.
 318 *Green-Bay*, John Brewster.
 319 *Burin*, John S. Peach.
 320 *Grand-Bank*, Elias Brettle.
 321 *Hant's-Harbour*, William P. Wells.
 322 *Hermitage-Cove*, One wanted.

EDMUND BOTTERELL, *Chairman of the District, and General Superintendent.*

TERRITORIES OF THE HUDSON'S-BAY COMPANY.

- 323 *Norway-House, Lake-Winnipeg*, William Mason.
 324 *Moose-Factory*, One wanted.
 325 *Lac-la-Pluie and Fort-Alexander*, Peter Jacobs, Assistant Missionary.
 326 *Edmonton and Rocky-Mountains*, One wanted.
The Superintendence of these Missions is, for the present, placed under the direction of the REV. ENOCH WOOD, and the REV. JOHN JENKINS, the Superintendent of Montreal.

N.B. R. D. Griffith is placed under the direction of the Missionary Committee.

**APPOINTMENTS OF THE WESLEYAN CONFERENCE
IN CANADA, IN CONNEXION WITH THE BRITISH
CONFERENCE.**

MATTHEW RICHEY, D.D., *President of the Conference.*

JOHN RYERSON, *Co-Delegate.*

ASAHEL HURLBURT, *Secretary.*

ENOCH WOOD, *General Superintendent of Missions.*

I.—THE TORONTO DISTRICT.

- 1 *Toronto City, East*, John Ryerson, Co-Delegate; Alexander S. Byrne; Enoch Wood, General Superintendent of Missions; Anson Green, who is our Book-Steward; George R. Sanderson, who is our Editor; Egerton Ryerson, D.D., who is Chief Superintendent of Schools by permission of the Conference.
- 2 *Toronto City, West*, William Squire, John Douse.
- 3 *Yonge-Street*, James Musgrove, Wellington Jeffers. One to be sent.
- 4 *Humber*, John Law, William Ames; John Culham, Supernumerary.
- 5 *Cooksville*, James Hughes; James Wilson, David Wright, Superannuated.
- 6 *Brampton*, William Young, William S. Blackstock.
- 7 *Oshawa*, William Philp. One to be sent.
- 8 *Markham*, Peter Ker, John Webster; David Youmans, Superannuated.
- 9 *Georgetown*, William Willoughby.
- 10 *Nelson*, Thomas Cosford, Thomas Jeffers; George Ferguson, Superannuated.

JOHN RYERSON, *Co-Delegate, Chairman of the District.*

II.—THE BARRIE DISTRICT.

- 11 *Bradford*, Luther O. Rice, Thomas Culbert.
- 12 *Nainash*, James Hutchinson, David Sawyer.
- Barham-Road*, Stephen Brownell.

LEWIS WARNER, *Chairman of the District.*

III.—THE LONDON DISTRICT.

- John Carroll, Samuel Nelles, A.M.
 4, Richard Phelps, John Laird.
 Thomas Williams; Edmund Stoney, Superannuated.
 John Williams.
 James Gray.
 , Joseph Hill.

s appointed President of the next Conference, to be held in the
 N RYERSON is re-appointed as Co-Delegate.

- 20 *Chatham*, Thomas Fawcett. One wanted.
 21 *St. Thomas*, William Pollard, Edward White; Thomas Harmon,
 Superannuated.

JOHN CARROLL, *Chairman of the District.*

IV.—THE BRANTFORD DISTRICT.

- 22 *Brantford*, Claudius Byrne, John English; George Poole,
 Peter Jones, Superannuated.
 23 *Paris*, George Kennedy.
 24 *Woodstock*, Edwin Clement. One to be sent.
 25 *Dumfries*, Hamilton Biggar, Charles W. M. Gilbert.
 26 *Ingersoll*, Joseph Sheply.
 27 *Norwich*, Francis Chapman.
 28 *Simcoe*, Kennedy Creighton, Ozias Barber.
 29 *Walsingham*, Matthew Whiting; Matthias Holtby, Supernumerary.
 30 *Malahide*, Samuel C. Philp, Robert Lochhead.

WILLIAM RYERSON, *Chairman of the District.*

V.—THE HAMILTON DISTRICT.

- 31 *Hamilton*, Henry Wilkinson; D. C. Van Norman, A.M.,
 Principal of Burlington Ladies' Academy; Samuel
 Belton, Superannuated.
 32 *Dundas*, John Gemley, Joseph Hugill.
 33 *Nanticoke and Dunville*, John Baxter. One to be sent.
 34 *Grimsby*, Alexander T. Green, Noble Armstrong.
 35 *St. Catherine's*, William Price, Isaac Barber.
 36 *Drummondville and Niagara*, Edwy M. Ryerson, John Hunt, who
 resides at Niagara.
 37 *Cayuga*, Solomon Waldron.

HENRY WILKINSON, *Chairman of the District.*

VI.—THE COBOURG DISTRICT.

- 38 *Cobourg*, John Bredin; Conrad Vandusen, Treasurer and
 Agent of Victoria College; John Beatty,
 Lachlin Taylor, Supernumeraries.
 39 *Port-Hope*, George Goodson.
 40 *Bowmanville*, James C. Slater.
 41 *Millbrook*, Charles Turver; Moses Blackstock, Supernumerary.
 42 *Peterborough*, Isaac B. Howard.
 43 *Colborne*, Silvester Hurlburt.
 44 *Metcalfe*, John Sanderson.

WILLIAM CASE, *Chairman of the District.*

VII.—THE BELLEVILLE DISTRICT.

- 45 *Belleville*, Richard Jones.
 46 *Consecon*, David B. Madden, John A. Williams, who will
 reside at Wellington; Daniel M'Mullen, Super-
 numerary.
 47 *Sidney*, Michael Fawcett. One to be sent.

- 48 *Picton*, William M'Cullough, Robert Robinson ; Gilbert Miller, Supernumerary.
 49 *Napanee*, John Black, Joseph Reynolds ; Isaac B. Aylsworth. Supernumerary.
 50 *Brighton*, George F. Playter, William Coleman.
 51 *Demorestville*, William H. Poole.
 52 *Sheffield*, John C. Osborne.
 53 *Madoc*, Abraham Dayman.

RICHARD JONES, *Chairman of the District.*

VIII.—THE KINGSTON DISTRICT.

- 54 *Kingston*, Samuel D. Rice, Ephraim B. Harper ; James Booth, Henry Byers, Supernumeraries.
 55 *Wilton*, William M'Fadden, Charles Taggart. .
 56 *Bath and Amherst-Isle*, George Carr. One to be sent.
 57 *Waterloo*, Joseph M'Collum.
 58 *Gananoque*, William H. Williams.
 59 *Newborough*, Vincent B. Howard.
 60 *Farmersville*, Simon Huntingdon, David Jennings.
 61 *Perth*, Jonathan Scott, James Armstrong.
 62 *Lanark*, Michael Baxter.

SAMUEL D. RICE, *Chairman of the District.*

IX.—THE BROCKVILLE DISTRICT.

- 63 *Brockville*, Noble F. English.
 64 *Prescott*, James Elliott.
 65 *Augusta*, John Lever, William Burns.
 66 *Kemptville*, George Beynon.
 67 *Matilda*, Asahel Hurlburt, James G. Witted.
 68 *Smith's-Falls*, Benjamin Nankevill ; William Brown, Supernumerary.
 69 *Carlton and Pakingham*, Thomas W. Constable, Richard Wilson.
 70 *Merrickville*, Thomas Bevitt.
 71 *Winchester*, David Hardie.

THOMAS BEVITT, *Chairman of the District.*

X.—THE BYTOWN DISTRICT.

- 72 *Bytown*, Edmund Shepherd, David C. M'Dowell.
 73 *Aylmer*, James Greener.
 74 *Richmond*, William Andrews, William M'Gill.
 75 *L'Orignal*, David Clappison, Richard Hammond.
 76 *Lochaber*, Daniel Wright.
 77 *Gatineau*, John Armstrong, 1st.
 78 *Westmeath*, John Howes.
 79 *Torbolton*, Jonathan Loverin.

EDMUND SHEPHERD, *Chairman of the District.*

Thomas Demorest, Agent for Connexional Funds,
 under direction of the Book Committee.

William Haw.

Q. VIII. What is the NUMBER OF MEMBERS in our Societies?

A As follows, viz.,—

IN GREAT BRITAIN.

<i>Circuits.</i>	<i>Members in Society.</i>	<i>Circuits.</i>	<i>Members in Society.</i>
FIRST LONDON	2797	Higham-Ferrers	502
Richmond	120	Wellingborough	437
Uxbridge	121	Kettering	256
Second London	1646	Market-Harborough	203
Third London and		Chatteris	422
Thames Mission	2344	Oundle	288
Fourth London	1731	CANTERBURY	604
Fifth London	2057	Faversham	495
Sixth London	2217	Rochester	1166
Seventh London	1311	Gravesend	493
Eighth London	1648	Sheerness	343
Deptford	721	Margate	731
Woolwich	626	Dover	828
Hammersmith	638	Deal	255
Croydon	335	Rye	460
Barking, &c. . . .	269	Tenterden	386
Leyton	86	Ashford	314
Ware, &c. . . .	200	Sandhurst	700
Cambridge	475	Maidstone	438
Windsor	301	Sittingbourne	295
Chelmsford	231	NORWICH	1218
Maldon	226	Bungay	310
Colchester	693	North-Walsham	710
Manningtree	1020	Yarmouth	669
Ipswich	563	Lowestoff	400
Hastings	440	Framlingham	432
Sevenoaks	335	Diss	602
Tunbridge-Wells	526	New-Buckenham	521
Lewes, &c. . . .	171	Bury St. Edmund's	319
Brighton	646	Holt	646
St. Alban's	570	Lynn	550
Guildford, &c. . . .	245	Swaffham	756
Dorking, &c. . . .	92	Downham	659
BEDFORD, &c.	1092	Walsingham	700
Leighton-Buzzard	1110	Wisbeach	741
Luton	974	Thetford	606
Dunstable	1030	Mildenhall	377
St. Neot's	475	Ely	550
Biggleswade	525	OXFORD	550
Hitchin	220	High-Wycomb	540
Huntingdon	810	Aylesbury	647
Northampton	1128	Witney	560
Towcester	490	Banbury	546
Daventry	678	Kington	275
Newport-Pagnell	403	Newbury	621

<i>Circuits.</i>	<i>Members in Society.</i>	<i>Circuits.</i>	<i>Members in Society.</i>
Reading	303	Hayle	1200
Hungerford	762	Marazion	664
Watlington	219	EXETER	803
Thame	153	Crediton	84
Brackley	703	Tiverton	327
Chipping-Norton	342	Taunton, &c.	650
Swindon	232	Bridgewater	382
Wantage	442	South-Petherton	382
PORTSMOUTH	905	Axminster	206
Gosport	162	Budleigh-Salterton	266
Salisbury	1216	Bridport	425
Poole	560	Barnstaple	501
Wimborne	350	South-Moulton	362
Ringwood	171	Bideford	698
Newport (Isle of Wight)	935	Dunster	267
Southampton, &c.	617	Oakhampton	222
Andover	382	Teignmouth	366
Chichester	146	BRISTOL, North	2491
GUERNSEY, English	448	Bristol, South	1358
Guernsey, French	1049	Kingswood	1246
Alderney	73	Banwell	706
Jersey, English	460	Stroud	559
Jersey, French	1320	Dursley	538
DEVONPORT	1107	Downend	700
Plymouth	1152	Gloucester	523
Launceston	1090	Tewkesbury	313
Holsworthy	536	Cheltenham	710
Kilkhampton	430	Newport	960
Liskeard	924	Cardiff	390
Callington	640	Bridgend	190
Tavistock	810	Monmouth	450
Camelford	390	Abergavenny, &c.	1000
Kingsbridge	303	Ledbury, &c.	503
Brixham	197	Hereford	330
Ashburton	303	BATH	986
REDRUTH	2084	Bradford, Wilts.	720
Camborne	2656	Midsomer-Norton	1810
Falmouth	1180	Frome	800
Truro	1940	Warminster	94
Gwennap	2184	Melksham	559
St. Agnes	1267	Devizes	197
St. Austle	1420	Shepton-Mallet	1145
St. Mawes	341	Sherborne	616
Bodmin	856	Weymouth	617
St. Columb	741	Dorchester	454
Penzance	1640	Shaftesbury	875
St. Just	1721	Glastonbury	286
St. Ives	800	SWANSEA	525
Scilly Islands	112	Merthyr-Tydvil	1220
Helstone	1751	Brecon	228

<i>Circuits.</i>	<i>Members in Society.</i>	<i>Circuits.</i>	<i>Members in Society.</i>
Carmarthen	244	Madeley	1216
Haverford-West	660	Wellington	963
Pembroke	628	Ludlow	597
MERTHYR-TYDVIL	839	Kington	380
Crickhowell	652	MACCLESFIELD	1880
Cardiff	227	Buxton	500
Cowbridge	152	Congleton	980
Brecon	150	Namptwich, &c.	620
Llandilo	199	Northwich	737
Carmarthen	375	Burslem	1000
Swansea	253	Tunstall	933
Cardigan	454	Newcastle-under-Lyne	880
St. David's	108	Longton	443
Aberystwith	622	Stafford	300
Machynlleth	449	Leek	1037
Llanidloes	389	Uttoxeter	516
RUTHIN and Denbigh	584	Cheadle	231
Llangollen	424	LIVERPOOL, North	1520
Corwen	210	Liverpool, South	2034
Llanrwst	652	Liverpool, Welsh	646
Holywell	760	Chester	1007
Mold	436	Mold and Buckley-Mount	126
Llanasa	445	Carnarvon	48
Beaumaris	443	Holyhead	69
Amlwch	550	Wrexham	409
Carnarvon	378	Whitchurch	441
Bangor	505	Warrington	566
Pwllheli	336	Runcorn	810
Barmouth	360	St. Helen's and Prescot	562
Dolgelly	488	Southport and Ormskirk	400
Llanfyllin	590	Wigan	574
Llanfair	275	Preston and Chorley	1240
BIRMINGHAM, West	1898	Garstang	507
Birmingham, East	1468	Lancaster	520
West-Bromwich	750	Newtown	718
Wednesbury	2900	MANCHESTER, First	1471
Walsall	884	Manchester, Second	1734
Wolverhampton	1640	Manchester, Third	1221
Dudley	2062	Manchester, Fourth	951
Stourbridge	793	Manchester, Welsh	180
Stourport	670	Manchester, Fifth	1210
Worcester	443	Altrincham	501
Bromsgrove	173	Stockport, North	913
Evesham	366	Stockport, South	740
Redditch	491	New-Mills	479
Coventry	328	Glossop	677
Leamington	467	Ashton-under-Lyne	1056
Stratford-upon-Avon	166	Oldham	751
Hinckley	662	Delph	175
Shrewsbury	350	Bolton	2196

<i>Circuits.</i>	<i>Members in Society.</i>	<i>Circuits.</i>	<i>Members in Society.</i>
Rochdale	1273	Retford	1215
Burnley	1298	Worksop	570
Bury	1013	NOTTINGHAM, South	1336
Blackburn	621	Nottingham, North	1479
Haslingden	951	Ilkestone	600
Bacup	1368	Mansfield	1116
Colne	700	Newark	1210
Clitheroe	548	Bingham	680
Leigh	372	Leicester	1080
HALIFAX	1888	Melton-Mowbray	850
Huddersfield, First	1435	Oakham	287
Huddersfield, Second	1350	Stamford	322
Holmfirth	848	Grantham	1056
Sowerby-Bridge	1212	Peterborough	770
Todmorden	1403	Loughborough	970
Denby-Dale	555	Castle-Donington	618
Bradford, West	1897	Derby	1255
Bradford, East	2020	Ashbourne	170
Great-Horton	1420	Belper	705
Keighley	1702	Ripley	555
Bingley	1065	Ashby-de-la-Zouch	862
Shipley	444	Burton	890
Skipton	509	Cromford	726
Addingham	600	LINCOLN	2550
Grassington	245	Sleaford	1550
Settle	331	Market-Raisen	1240
FIRST LEEDS	1977	Louth	2788
Second Leeds	2085	Horncastle	1550
Third Leeds	1697	Alford	1109
Fourth Leeds	1753	Spilsby	840
Bramley	1742	Boston	1257
Wakefield	2145	Wainfleet	642
Birstal	1863	Spalding	1081
Dewsbury	1504	Bourne	360
Knaresborough	1071	Coningsby	504
Otley	913	HULL, West	2121
Pateley-Bridge	987	Hull, East	1881
Pontefract	1670	Beverley	850
Cleckheaton	714	Driffield	948
Yeadon	790	Howden	1100
Woodhouse-Grove	584	Patrington	483
SHEFFIELD, West	2582	Hornsea	484
Sheffield, East	2473	Grimsby	1801
Chesterfield	1150	Gainsborough	1200
Bakewell	484	Epworth	785
Bradwell	575	Snaith	1279
Rotherham	933	Brigg	856
Wath	1000	Barton	1148
Doncaster	1848	Bridlington	1520
	1072	YORK	2900

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<i>Circuits.</i>	<i>Members in Society.</i>	<i>Circuits.</i>	<i>Members in Society.</i>
Tadcaster	937	Alnwick	140
Pocklington	933	Berwick	82
Malton	1335	Morpeth	81
Easingwold	1427	CARLISLE	341
Scarborough	1717	Brampton	195
Pickering	1251	Whitehaven	362
Thirsk	1200	Workington	482
Ripon	1011	Appleby	576
Selby	1288	Penrith	766
WHITBY	1098	Wigton and Keswick	271
Stokesley	750	Kendal	775
Darlington	703	Ulverstone	208
Stockton	1120	Dumfries	58
Barnard-Castle	614	DOUGLAS and Castletown	1581
Bishop-Auckland	500	Ramsay and Peel	1729
Middleham	650	EDINBURGH	570
Richmond	391	Dunbar, &c.	56
Reeth	722	Glasgow, &c.	889
Bedale	1164	Greenock	83
NEWCASTLE-UPON-TYNE	1696	Airdrie, Stirling, &c.	419
Gateshead	1387	Ayr	127
North-Shields	835	Aberdeen	342
Blyth	586	Dundee	102
South-Shields	689	Perth	83
Sunderland	1700	Arbroath	101
Houghton-le-Spring	867	Banff	49
Durham	1201	Inverness	55
Wolsingham	630	LERWICK	556
Hexham	608	Walls	405
Shotley-Bridge	697	Northmavin, &c.	109
Alston	620	North Isles	153
Allendale-Town	476		

Total Number of Members in GREAT BRITAIN this Year . . 358,277

Ditto last Year 348,274

Increase 10,003

IN IRELAND.

<i>Circuits.</i>	<i>Members in Society.</i>	<i>Circuits.</i>	<i>Members in Society.</i>
DUBLIN, South	565	Bandon	367
Dublin, North	706	Skibbereen	250
Kingstown	56	Tralee	75
Drogheda	206	LIMERICK	243
Wicklow	300	Roscrea	164
WATERFORD	212	Cloughjordan	166
Carlow	246	TULLAMORE	214
Newtownbarry	314	Athlone	113
Wexford	174	Maryborough	198
CORK	360	Longford	170
Cove	35	SLIGO	410

<i>Circuits.</i>	<i>Members in Society.</i>	<i>Circuits.</i>	<i>Members in Society.</i>
Castlebar	50	Armagh	490
Ballina	132	Lurgan	451
Boyle	151	Moir and Dromore	510
CLONES	300	Tandragee	374
Cootehill	295	Portadown	549
Killesandra	356		
Castleblaney, &c.	259		
Aughnacloy	230		
ENNISKILLEN	761		
Brookborough	641		
Manorhamilton	660		
Lowtherstown	1007		
Ballyshannon, &c.	490		
LONDONDERY	270		
Strabane	440		
Omagh	592		
BELFAST, South	610		
Belfast, North	733		
Ballyclare	242		
Donaghadee	535		
Carrickfergus	236		
Coleraine	299		
Magherafelt	362		
Lisburn	358		
Downpatrick	282		
NEWRY	259		
Dungannon	388		

MISSION STATIONS.

Lucan and Trim	150
Kilkenny	215
Tipperary	23
Youghal	85
Fermoy	72
Kinsale	102
Berehaven-Mines	57
Dingle	37
Ballinasloe	75
Nenagh and Killaloe	103
Kilrush	40
Galway	97
Belmullet and Erris	49
Cavan	186
Donegal	591
Rathmelton	100
Newtownlimavady	68
Ballymena	201

Number of Members in IRELAND this year	21,107
Ditto last year	22,221
Decrease	1,114

The Numbers in Society at the Stations occupied by the **WESLEYAN MISSIONARIES** are as follows;—not, however, including the Irish Missions, nor the *Domestic* Missions in Western Canada, the Societies of which are reckoned with the Numbers reported from Ireland, and with those under the care of the Wesleyan Conference in Canada in connexion with the British Conference :—

EUROPE.

<i>Nos.</i>	<i>Nos.</i>
WINNENDEN (Germany)	1000
FRANCE AND SWITZERLAND,	
Paris	22
Calais	32
Boulogne	39
Caën and Lisieux	75
Nismes, Anduze, &c.	374
Ganges (Cevennes)	35
Nyons, &c. (Drome)	178
Lausanne and Aigle	52
GIBRALTAR	49
Total in Europe	1,856
Last year	1,829
Increase	27

ASIA.

CEYLON.				Nos.
<i>The Singhalese, or South Ceylon District.</i>				
Colombo, South	.	.	.	141
Colombo, North	.	.	.	169
Negombo	.	.	.	105
Seedua	.	.	.	85
Galkisse	.	.	.	100
Morotto	.	.	.	289
Pantura	.	.	.	51
Caltura	.	.	.	83
Galle	.	.	.	52
Amblangodde	.	.	.	27
Belligam	.	.	.	16
Matura	.	.	.	61
Dondra and Goddapitiya	.	.	.	35
<i>The Tamul, or North Ceylon District.</i>				
Jaffna, Wannerponne, and Puttoor	.	.	.	150
		Point-Pedro and Cattavelley		13
		Trincomalee	.	30
		Batticaloa, First—Batticaloa, Second	.	148
CONTINENTAL INDIA.				
		<i>The Madras District.</i>		
		Madras	.	161
		Negapatam	.	20
		Manaargoody	.	22
		Bangalore (Tamul)	.	148
		<i>The Mysore District.</i>		
		Bangalore (Canarese)	.	27
		Mysore	.	1
		Goobbee and Toomkoor	.	8
		Coonghul	.	1
		Total in India and Ceylon		1,943
		Last year	.	1,873
		Increase	.	70

AUSTRALASIAN AND POLYNESIAN MISSIONS.

<i>New South Wales.</i>		Ross and Campbell-Town	.	56
Sydney, North	.	Launceston—Westbury	.	324
Sydney, South	.	Oatlands	.	33
Paramatta	.	<i>New-Zealand.</i>		
Windsor	.	Auckland	.	328
Bathurst	.	Mangungu, &c.	.	297
Camden	.	Waima and Newark	.	118
Wollongong	.	Wairoa and Kaipara	.	101
Goulburn—Queenbeyan	.	Kawhia	.	569
Hunter's-River	.	Beecham-Dale (Aotea)	.	266
Moreton-Bay	.	New-Plymouth	.	196
Port-Macquarie	.	Waingaroa	.	202
Scone	.	Waipa	.	230
<i>Australia Felix.</i>		Waimate	.	536
Melbourne	.	Wanganui and Taupo	.	140
Portland-Bay	.	Port-Nicholson, &c.	.	712
Geelong	.	Nelson	.	344
<i>South Australia.</i>		Waikowaiti	.	289
Adelaide	.	<i>Friendly Islands.</i>		
Kapunda	.	Tonga	.	1830
Willunga	.	Habai	.	2184
Burra-Burra	.	Vavau	.	2170
<i>Western Australia.</i>		Niua-Tabutabu	.	393
Swan-River	.	Niua-fo-ou	.	539
<i>Van-Diemen's Land.</i>		Uvea	.	86
Hobart-Town and New-Norfolk	.			

<i>Feejee.</i>		<i>Nos.</i>		<i>Nos.</i>	
Lakemba	. . . . .	1160	Total in the South-Sea		
Viwa	. . . . .	166	Missions	. . . . .	17,453
Bua	. . . . .	157	Last Year	. . . . .	16,469
Nandy	. . . . .	230	Increase	. . . . .	984

AFRICA.

SOUTHERN AFRICA.

<i>The Cape District.</i>			
Cape-Town	277	Wittebergen	75
Rondebosch	45	Butterworth	117
Wynberg	96	Beecham-Wood	10
Stellenbosch	106	Clarkebury	43
Somerset (West)	172	Morley	125
Khamiesberg	130	Buntingville	66
Nisbett-Bath	485	Shawbury	61
Concordiaville—Roode-Volk	39	Palmerton	50
Elephant-Fountain	89	D'Urban (Port-Natal)	63
<i>The Albany and Kaffraria District.</i>		Pietermauritzberg	40
Graham's-Town	542	Kwangubeni	15
Salem and Farmerfield	205	Indaleni	106
Bathurst, &c.	104	<i>The Bechuana District.</i>	
Fort-Beaufort, &c.	94	Thaba-Unchu—Lokualo	210
Port-Elizabeth, &c.	63	Plaatberg	193
Craddock	96	Mirametsu	28
Somerset, &c.	59	Lishuani	52
D'Urban (Fort-Peddie)—		Umpukani	22
Newton-Dale, &c.	118	Imparani	40
Mount-Coke	35	Colesberg, &c.	52
King William's Town	7	<hr/>	
Wesleyville, &c.	15	Total in Southern Africa	4,365
Haslope-Hills, &c.	135	Last Year	4,135
Lesseyton, &c.	85	<hr/>	
		Increase	230
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WESTERN AFRICA.

<i>The Sierra-Leone District.</i>		Anamabu, &c.	122
Free-Town	3335	Domonasi, &c.	111
Hastings and Wellington .	920	British Akrah, &c.	124
York	457	Ashanti	27
<i>The Gambia District.</i>		Badagry and Abbeokuta .	57
St. Mary's—Barra-Point .	293	<hr/>	
Macarthy's Island . . .	183	Total in Western Africa	5,997
<i>The Gold-Coast and Ashanti District.</i>		Last Year	5,525
Cape-Coast Town, &c. . .	368	<hr/>	
		Increase	472
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AMERICA.

WEST INDIES.

The Antigua District.

	Nos.
Antigua	2695
Dominica	1042
Montserrat	400
Nevis	1871
St. Christopher's	3554
St. Eustatius	306
St. Bartholomew's	127
St. Martin's	373
Anguilla	407
Tortola	1814

Total in the Antigua District	12,589
Last Year	12,820
Decrease	231

The St. Vincent's and Demerara District.

Kingstown	2715
Biabou	3111
Grenada	654
Trinidad	870
Tobago	1273
George-Town	1559
Mahaica	422
Victoria	679
Barbadoes	2259

Total in the St. Vincent's and Demerara District	13,542
Last Year	14,001
Decrease	459

The Jamaica District.

Kingston	4215
Montego-Bay	896
Spanish-Town	885
Morant-Bay	1096

	Nos.
Grateful-Hill &c.	610
Falmouth	682
St. Ann's Bay	634
Ocho-Rios	653
Beechamville and Watsonville	1477
Bath and Port-Morant—Manchioneal	3277
Port-Antonio	300
Guy's-Hill	426
Clarendon	1018
Mount-Ward	720
Savannah-la-Mar	406
Brown's-Town	546
Duncan's	689
Yallahs and Bethesda	612
Mount-Fletcher	549
Linstead	545
Belize and Charibb-Town (Honduras-Bay)	481

Total in the Jamaica District (including the Honduras-Bay Mission)	20,717
Last Year	21,636
Decrease	919

The Bahama District.

New-Providence	825
Eleuthera, First	487
Eleuthera, Second	310
Harbour-Island	546
Abaco	278
Andros-Island	19
Turk's-Island	442
Bermuda (Hamilton)	249
Bermuda (St. George's)	196

Total in the Bahama District	3,352
Last Year	3,291
Increase	61

<i>The Hayti District.</i>			Nos.
Port-au-Prince	156	Cayes	7
Port-au-Plaat	56	Total in the Hayti District	387
Samana	97	Last Year	338
Jérémie	30	Increase	49
Cape-Haïtien and Gonaïves	41		

THE BRITISH DOMINIONS IN NORTH AMERICA.

<i>Indian Stations in Western Canada.</i>		<i>Total in the Eastern Canada District</i>	
St. Clair—Muncey—Sau- geeng — Grand-River— New - Credit — Snake- Island—Schoogog—Al- derville—Rice and Mud Lakes—Rama and Orilia —Beausoliel and French- River—Owen's-Sound .	1081	Last Year	3,782
Total on the Indian Stations	1,081	Increase	67
Last year	1,095		
Decrease	14		
<i>Eastern Canada District.</i>		<i>The Nova-Scotia District.</i>	
Montreal	756	Halifax	341
Quebec	362	Halifax County	119
Three-Rivers	46	Lunenburg	207
Wesleyville	193	Liverpool and Mill's-Village	270
St. John's, &c.	77	Barrington	323
Huntingdon—Russelton .	282	Shelburne	204
St. Armand's	145	Yarmouth	155
Dunham	341	Horton and Cornwallis .	469
Odell-Town, &c.	295	Windsor	98
Shefford	243	Newport	380
Stanstead	153	Shubenacadie	183
Compton	108	Truro and River-John .	112
Melbourne, &c.	271	Amherst and Parrsborough—	
Leeds	234	Meccan	411
Clarenceville	176	Wallace	425
Sherbrooke	167	Guysborough	205
		Sydney (Cape-Breton) .	128
		Charlotte-Town (Prince Edward's Island) . .	413
		Bedeque (ditto)	250
		Total in the Nova-Scotia District	4,693
		Last Year	4,635
		Increase	58
		<i>The New-Brunswick District.</i>	
		St. John, South	575
		St. John, North	128

	Nos.
St. John, West	193
Frederickton	224
Nashwaak	192
Sheffield, &c.	85
Mill-Town	96
St. Stephen's, &c.	198
St. Andrew's	76
Sackville	116
Point-de-Bute	224
Petitcodiac	144
Hopewell	119
Bridgetown	162
Aylesford	225
Annapolis	241
Sussex-Vale	235
Miramichi	104
Richibucto	100
Woodstock and Andover .	172
Bathurst—Dalhousie . .	116

Total in the New-Brunswick District . .	3,725
Last Year	3,827
Decrease	102

The Newfoundland District.

St. John's	165
Harbour-Grace	80

	Nos.
Carbonear	490
Blackhead	316
Island-Cove	59
Perlican	180
Hant's-Harbour	50
Port-de-Grave	68
Trinity-Bay	71
Bonavista	190
Burin	65
Grand-Bank	100
Brigus	170
Green-Bay	189

Total in the Newfoundland District . . .	2,193
Last Year	2,288
Decrease	95

The Hudson's-Bay District.

Ross-Ville	119
Total in the Hudson's-Bay District . . .	119
Last Year	202
Decrease	83

Recapitulation of Members in the Foreign Missions.

In Germany, France, Switzerland, and Gibraltar	1,856
In Continental India and Ceylon	1,943
In Australia, Van-Diemen's Land, New-Zealand, Friendly Islands, and Feejee	17,453
In Africa (Southern, 4,365 ; Western, 5,997)	10,362
In the West Indies	50,587
In British North America (exclusive of Domestic Missions in Western Canada).	15,660
Total number of Members under the care of the Missionaries this year	97,861
Last year	97,746
Increase	115
On trial for Church-Membership, as far as ascertained . .	4,742

GENERAL RECAPITULATION.

Number of Members in Great Britain	-	-	-	<i>No.</i> 358,277
Ditto in Ireland	-	-	-	21,107
Ditto in our Foreign Stations, exclusive of the Members of the Irish Missions, and of the Domestic Missions in Upper Canada, which are both included in the General Report of the Wesleyan Missionary Society	-	-	-	97,861
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Total number of Members under the care of the British and Irish Conferences	-	-	-	477,245
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N.B. The number of regular Ministers, and Preachers on Trial, and those who are Supernumerary and Superannuated, is as follows; viz.,—

In Great Britain,

Ministers	-	-	-	-	916
Ditto Supernumerary and Superannuated	-	-	-	-	183
Preachers on Trial	-	-	-	-	118
				<hr/>	1,217

In Ireland,

Ministers	-	-	-	-	84
Ditto Supernumerary and Superannuated	-	-	-	-	33
Preachers on Trial	-	-	-	-	16
Missionaries; viz.,—					
Ministers	-	-	-	-	19
Ditto Supernumerary	-	-	-	-	2
Preachers on Trial	-	-	-	-	3
				<hr/>	24
				<hr/>	157

In our Foreign Stations,

Ministers	-	-	-	-	323
Ditto Supernumerary and Superannuated	-	-	-	-	12
Preachers on Trial	-	-	-	-	64
				<hr/>	399

Total	-	-	-	-	-	1,773
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Number of Members under the care of the <i>Wesleyan Conference in Canada</i> in connexion with the British Conference	-	-	-	-	-	25,042
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Number of Ministers belonging to the <i>Wesleyan Conference in Canada</i> in connexion with the British Conference	-	-	-	-	-	154
Supernumerary and Superannuated	-	-	-	-	-	26
				<hr/>		180

Q. IX. Who is appointed the **PRESIDENT OF THE NEXT CONFERENCE IN IRELAND**, to be held in Belfast, on Wednesday, the 25th of June, 1851?

A. Our **PRESIDENT**, the **REV. JOHN BEECHAM, D.D.**

N.B. 1. The Secretary, the **REV. DR. HANNAH**, and the **REV. DR. NEWTON**, are appointed to accompany the President to the next Irish Conference.

2. The **PRESIDENT** and the **REV. CHARLES PREST** are requested to visit Scotland in the month of October next, for the purpose of promoting the Missionary cause, and also of attending the Financial District-Meeting.

3. The **PRESIDENT** and the **REV. ROBERT YOUNG** are appointed to attend the Annual Meeting of the Second South-Wales District-Committee, to be held at Cardiff, in the spring of 1851.

4. The **REV. DR. NEWTON** and the **REV. WILLIAM W. STAMP** are requested to attend the Annual Meeting of the North-Wales District-Committee, to be held at Bangor, in the spring of 1851.

5. Two of the English Ministers stationed in Wales shall attend the District-Meetings of the Welsh Ministers; and two of the Welsh Ministers shall attend the District-Meeting of the English Ministers in South-Wales.

6. The **REV. ENOCH WOOD** is appointed the President of the next Conference in Canada; and the **REV. JOHN RYERSON**, Co-Delegate.

7. The **REV. JOHN STEPHENSON** is appointed to attend the Annual Meeting of the Shetland Isles District, to be held in the spring of 1851.

Q. X. Who are the **COMMITTEE FOR GUARDING OUR PRIVILEGES** during the ensuing year?

A. The **PRESIDENT** and the **SECRETARY** of the **CONFERENCE**; all the Ministers appointed to the eight London Circuits; the Superintendents of the Deptford, Hammersmith, and Woolwich Circuits; and all those Ministers now living who have filled the office of **PRESIDENT** of the **CONFERENCE**;—with the **REV. THOMAS WAUGH**, the **REV. JOHN F. MATHEWS**, and the **REV. WILLIAM P. APPELBE, LL.D.**, the Representatives of the Irish Conference;—together with the following Gentlemen:—

George Bowes, Esq., *London*;
John J. Buttress, Esq., *ditto*;
John Chubb, Esq., *ditto*;
Isaac Day, Esq., *ditto*;
John S. Elliott, Esq., *ditto*;
Thomas Farmer, Esq., *ditto*;
James Hoby, Esq., *ditto*;
Thomas Marriott, Esq., *ditto*;
Richard Matthews, Esq., *ditto*;
William W. Pocock, Esq., *ditto*;

Richard Marsden Reece, Esq., *London*;
Greaves Walker, Esq., *ditto*;
Benjamin Agar, Esq., *York*;
Thomas Allen, Esq., *Macclesfield*;
T. Percival Bunting, Esq., *Manchester*;
John Burton, Esq., *Middleton*;
John Daniel Burton, Esq., *ditto*;
John Burton, Esq., *Roundhay, Leeds*;
Joseph Carne, Esq., *Penzance*;
Charles Cooper, Esq., *Manchester*;

William Dyson, Esq., *Howden* ;
 Robert Fawsitt, Esq., *Scarborough* ;
 John Fernley, Esq., *Manchester* ;
 George Heald, Esq., *Liverpool* ;
 James Heald, Esq., M.P., *Stockport* ;
 Mr. Francis Healey, *Birmingham* ;
 James Henwood, Esq., *Hull* ;
 Thomas B. Holy, Esq., *Sheffield* ;
 John Irving, Esq., *Bristol* ;
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 James Meek, Esq., *York* ;
 Robert Middleton, Esq., *Cheltenham* ;
 Thomas Potter, Esq., *Manchester* ;

Thomas Sands, Esq., *Liverpool* ;
 Humphry Sandwith, Esq., M.D., *Hull* ;
 William G. Scarth, Esq., *Cheltenham* ;
 William Skinner, Esq., *Stockton* ;
 George Smith, Esq., *Camborne* ;
 Samuel H. Smith, Esq., *Sheffield* ;
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MISSIONS.

Q. XI. What are the Resolutions of the Conference in reference to our MISSIONS?

A. 1. The following persons are appointed the General Committee of Management for the ensuing year; viz.,—the PRESIDENT and the SECRETARY of the CONFERENCE; the GENERAL TREASURERS; the Treasurer of the London District Auxiliary Society, JOHN J. BUTTRESS, Esq.; Sixteen of the Ministers appointed to the London Circuits, viz.,—

The Rev. Dr. Alder,
 ——— Dr. Bunting,
 ——— Joseph Fowler,
 ——— John Hall,
 ——— Joseph Hargreaves,
 ——— Elijah Hoole,
 ——— Thomas Jackson,
 ——— Frederick J. Jobson,

The Rev. John Lomas,
 ——— Peter M'Owan,
 ——— John Mason,
 ——— William Naylor,
 ——— John Nelson, 1st,
 ——— John Rattenbury,
 ——— John Rigg,
 ——— William L. Thornton;—

The Sixteen following Gentlemen of *London*, viz.,—

Mr. William Bourne,
 Mr. John Chubb,
 Mr. John Corderoy,
 Grantham R. Dodd, Esq.,
 Peter B. Hall, Esq.,
 James Heald, Esq., M.P.,
 James Hunter, Esq.,
 Mr. Peter Kruse,

Mr. John Lidgett,
 Mr. Francis Lycett,
 Richard Matthews, Esq.,
 Mr. Robert Owen,
 William W. Pocock, Esq.,
 Mr. Francis Shaw,
 John Vanner, Esq.,
 Mr. William Williams;—

And, for the *Country*,—

The Rev. William Atherton,
 ——— William Burt,
 ——— Jonathan Crowther,
 ——— Thomas Harris,
 ——— Robert Newton,
 ——— Charles Prest,
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 ——— Robert Young;

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WALTER GRIFFITH, JOHN M. CAMPLIN, A. H. LATTEY, JAMES HUNTER, and FREDERICK INGOLDBY, Esqs., of London, are requested to act as a Medical Sub-Committee.

The following Gentlemen are appointed a Sub-Committee, to meet prior to the next Conference, and to report on the affairs of the Polynesian Missionary Ship:—The General Treasurers and the General Secretaries of the Society; Mr. Chodwick, London; Thomas Crook, Esq., Liverpool; John Irving, Esq., Bristol; Mr. Lidgett, London; Mr. Matthews, Penzance; Mr. Pryde, Liverpool; Thomas Sands, Esq., Liverpool; Thomas Speeding, Esq., Monkwearmouth; Mark Whitwell, Esq., Bristol; and the Rev. William Horton; with power to add to their number.

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5. The Conference adopts the following Resolution of the Committee of Review, held on Tuesday, July 30th, 1850, on the motion of JAMES HEALD, Esq., M.P., seconded by SAMUEL H. SMITH, Esq.:—"That this Meeting has received, with great satisfaction, the Report of the Auditors; fully approves of the mode in which the audit has been conducted, as well as rejoices that its confidence in the integrity of the Executive of the Wesleyan-Methodist Missionary Society is both justified and confirmed by it; and feels called upon to renew its pledges of fidelity to the great work which Almighty God has entrusted to the Wesleyan-Methodist Connexion in this important department of His service."

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3. The following are the Local Committees for the ensuing year:—

KINGSWOOD SCHOOL.—The **Rev. Corbett Cooke**, *Chairman*; **Rev. J. Cusworth**, *Local Treasurer*; **Rev. J. C. Pengelly**, *Secretary*; **Revds. John W. Button**, **Charles Clay**, **Peter Duncan**, **Dr. Etheridge**, **George Kevern**, **James Meadmore**, **Charles Westlake**, and **William Willan**;—with **J. Capel, Esq.**, **Thomas Exley, Esq.**, **A.M.**, **A. Harper, Esq.**, **Thomas Harris, Esq.**, **John Irving, Esq.**, **J. Ayre, Esq.**, **Francis Riggall, Esq.**, **Mr. Gilbert**, and **Mr. Price**, of Bristol; **William B. Lidiard, Esq.**, **Mr. A. Mowatt**, **Mr. W. Phipps**, **Mr. W. Batchelor**, and **Mr. J. Taylor**, of Bath; **Samuel Budgett, Esq.**, and **J. Budgett, Esq.**, of Kingswood.

WOODHOUSE-GROVE SCHOOL.—The **Rev. W. Atherton**, *Chairman*; **Rev. W. Lord**, *Local Treasurer*; **Rev. Francis A. West**, *Secretary*; **Revds. William Binning**, **William Bird**, **James Carr**, **Henry H. Chettle**, **John P. Haswell**, **Elijah Jackson**, **Robert Jackson**, **John Knowles, 2d**, **Joseph Lawton**, **James Shoar**, **Thomas H. Squance**, **George Steward**, **George Turner, 1st**, and **Edward Walker**;—with **John Burton, Esq.**, **William Smith, Esq.**, **George Smith, Esq.**, **George Morley, Esq.**, and **W. B. Holdsworth, Esq.**, of Leeds; **Mr. Thomas Haigh**, **W. Cheesborough, Esq.**, and **S. Anderson, Esq.**, of Bradford; **W. Pawson, Esq.**, of Farnley; **John F. Sutcliffe, Esq.**, of Willow-Hall; **Benjamin L. Shaw, Esq.**, and **Thomas Mallinson, Esq.**, of Huddersfield; **John Yewdall, Esq.**, of Rawdon; **Samuel Stocks, Esq.**, of Wakefield; and **Mr. Jonas Sugden**, of Keighley.

4. The Private Subscriptions and Public Collections for the School-Fund are to be made in every Circuit in the month of November; and the Conference repeats and urges its recommendation to our lay-friends to render assistance to the Ministers in procuring the Private Subscriptions. The sums allowed to Ministers stationed in Circuits, for the education of their daughters, and of such of their sons as cannot obtain admission into the Schools, may be paid out of the amount raised in the Circuits where they are stationed, if sufficient for that purpose. In other cases, we repeat our Minute made in 1820: "The allowances for education do not become due until the next Conference, and are not to be paid in advance, except so far as the Collections and

Subscriptions to the Fund in any Circuit will meet the claims of that Circuit. But when the Governors of the Schools have been fully enabled to provide for their current expenditure, if a surplus remain in the hands of the Treasurers, they may make such remittances, in advance, to Circuits in which the claims are large, and the contributions small, as may suit their convenience."

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8. The accounts for the year will be closed on the 23d of June, and audited before they are presented to the General Committee of the next Conference; and, in order to this, *every Superintendent is required, at the May District-Meeting, finally to correct his List of Contributions sent in December, and to pay at the same time all additional Subscriptions or Collections;* and the Financial Secretary shall send to the Treasurers such corrections, with an extract from the District-Minutes of every entry which relates to the School-Fund. This communication shall be made not later than the 31st of May.

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A. 1. The Conference directs that the public Collection already agreed upon in behalf of the New Kingswood School shall be made not later than the second Sunday in June, 1851.

2. The Trustees of the New Kingswood School shall consist of *twenty-one* Ministers and *twenty-one* Lay-friends, now appointed ; and steps shall be taken to secure a settlement of the property as early as possible.

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9. The cordial thanks of the Conference are presented to the President, the REV. JOHN BEECHAM, D.D., for the seasonable republication of his excellent "Essay on the Constitution of Wesleyan Methodism," and for his gift of the copyright to the Conference.

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11. The cordial thanks of the Conference are presented to GEORGE SMITH, Esq., of Camborne, for his timely and valuable pamphlet, entitled, "Wesleyan Ministers and their Slanderers."

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CHAPEL AFFAIRS.

Q. XV. What are the Resolutions of the Conference with regard to the GENERAL CHAPEL-FUND, and the CHAPEL-RELIEF FUND?

A. (I. *General Chapel-Fund* :)

1. The cordial thanks of the Conference are presented to THOMAS MARRIOTT, Esq., and the REV. ROBERT WOOD, the Treasurers of the General Chapel-Fund, and to the REV. FRANCIS A. WEST, the General Secretary, for their diligent and faithful services during the past year; and they are hereby re-appointed to the same offices for the ensuing year.

2. The Committee of Distribution of that Moiety of the UNITED GENERAL CHAPEL and EDUCATION FUND, which is to be devoted to Chapel-purposes, shall meet in Newcastle-upon-Tyne on the Friday previous to the next Conference; and shall consist of the President, the Secretary, and the Ex-President,—the Treasurers and Secretary of the General Chapel-Fund, the Treasurer, Secretaries, and Committee of the Chapel-Relief Fund, the Chairman and the Secretary of the Chapel-Building Committee, the Revds. William Bacon, John Bowers, Joseph Cusworth, Henry Davies, John Farrar, Joseph Fowler, William Lord, Peter M'Owan, James Methley, William Naylor, Charles Prest, John Rigg, John Scott, John Smith, 2d, and Robert Young; and *fifteen* Lay-Trustees, to be chosen as follows by the June Quarterly Meetings; viz.,—one from Newcastle-upon-Tyne, Gateshead, North Shields, South Shields, Sunderland, Carlisle, York, Hull West, Hull East, Leeds First, Leeds Second, Manchester First, Sheffield West, Second London, and Eighth London.

3. All Collections and Subscriptions for the United Chapel and Education Fund are to be remitted to the Treasurers of the General Chapel-Fund, (Mr. Marriott and the Rev. R. Wood,) *at the latest, before the end of March, 1851*; and the Chairmen

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Conference, properly filled up and signed. A new Schedule must be forwarded on every new application, and addressed (post-paid) to the REV. FRANCIS A. WEST, *Burton-Road, Huddersfield*.

5. The Conference strongly disapproves of the conduct of certain Trustees of Chapels, in several parts of the Connexion, who have attempted, by advertisements, circulars, or otherwise, to take an undue advantage of the benevolent feelings of our friends, by making applications for pecuniary aid beyond the boundaries of their own Circuits, in an irregular and unauthorised way. And, as such practices tend to diminish the income of the General Chapel-Fund, and thereby to injure the just claims of those Trustees who act legally and conscientiously, the Conference earnestly advises our friends to refuse any aid to persons thus begging for the erection and enlargement of Chapels, or for the liquidation of Chapel-debts, without any regular Connexional and official authority. According to our standing rule, every Chapel for which contributions have been solicited thus irregularly, or in places beyond the boundaries of the Circuit to which such Chapel belongs, must be excluded from the benefit of relief from the Chapel-Fund.

6. That, as the proposed period of the union of the General Chapel and Education Fund will soon terminate, the Conference requests the President to nominate and appoint an efficient Committee of Ministers and Gentlemen, to meet at such time and place as he may deem expedient, to consider the entire question, and to devise the best means to meet the exigencies of the state of our Chapel Trusts, and the wants of the Connexion in reference to the Education movement.

CHAPEL-BUILDING COMMITTEE.

Q. XVI. Who are the CHAPEL-BUILDING COMMITTEE (without whose previous consent, obtained in writing, no Chapel, whether large or small, is to be erected, purchased, or enlarged) for the ensuing year?

A. 1. The Revds. John Brandreth, Charles Haydon, Israel Holgate, Isaac Keeling, William Kelk, John M'Owan, George Marsden, George Osborn, William T. Radcliffe, Richard Ray, James Rosser, Samuel Simpson, William W. Stamp, William H. Taylor, Francis A. West, William Wilson, 3d;—with Mr. J. Blakeley, T. Percival Bunting, Esq., John Burton, Esq., John D. Burton, Esq., George R. Chappell, Esq., Charles Cooper, Esq., Thomas Crook, Esq., John Fernley, Esq., James Heald, Esq., M.P., J. Robinson Kay, Esq., John Lomas, Esq., John Makinson, Esq., George Marsden, Esq., Francis Parnell, Esq., C. W. Rippon, Esq., Peter Wood, Esq., M.D.

2. The thanks of the Conference are hereby presented to the REV. GEORGE MARSDEN, the Chairman, and to the Members of

of Districts are hereby directed to make inquiry in their respective District-Meetings, whether this rule has been observed, and to insert an answer to that inquiry in the District-Minutes.

4. The Conference directs that every application to the General Chapel-Fund Committee shall be accompanied by the new Chapel-Schedule, duly filled up, and signed by the Chairman of the District, in the District-Meeting: and it further directs that the said Schedules shall be forwarded to the General Treasurers of the Chapel-Fund, before July 1st; and that all cases in which this latter direction shall not have been complied with, shall be postponed for at least one year.

5. The General Chapel-Fund Committee shall annually revise the cases recorded in the Minute-Book of the Chapel-Building Committee, and call for proof of the fulfilment of the prescribed conditions.

6. It shall be a condition of affording relief to any Chapel-case, that the Trustees will engage permanently to subscribe to the General Chapel-Fund.

(II. *Chapel-Relief Fund* :)

1. The cordial and respectful thanks of the Conference are hereby presented to JOHN BURTON, Esq., of Middleton, the Treasurer of the Chapel-Relief Fund, to the REV. FRANCIS A. WEST, and MR. JOHN D. BURTON, the Secretaries, and to the Members of the Committee, for their diligent and faithful services during the past year; and the Treasurer and the Secretaries are respectfully requested to continue their services during the ensuing year.

2. The CHAPEL-RELIEF COMMITTEE for the distribution of Final Grants in aid of embarrassed Chapels, shall consist of the following persons; viz.,—the Revds. William Elton, Charles Haydon, Israel Holgate, Isaac Keeling, William Kelk, John M'Owan, George Marsden, George Osborn, Richard Ray, William H. Taylor;—with Charles Cooper, Esq., John Fernley, Esq., James Heald, Esq., M.P., John Lomas, Esq., Peter Wood, Esq., M.D., John Mayson, Esq., and George Marsden, Esq., of Manchester; James Marshall, Esq., of Stockport; Thomas Crook, Esq., of Liverpool; Richard Bealey, Esq., of Bury. The Treasurer and Secretaries are, *ex officio*, members of the Committee.

3. This Committee (who have power to add to their number, if they deem it expedient) are directed to consider applications from the Trustees of Embarrassed Chapels for Relief by Final Grants, towards the reduction of debt, and to decide what proportions of the amount to be liquidated shall be raised by the Trustees and Friends of each Chapel to be relieved. The Committee are directed to hold their first Meeting in October next.

4. All Letters containing applications for Final Grants must be accompanied by the Schedules prepared by the direction of the

during the year to build, purchase, or enlarge Chapels ; and the Schedule shall be returned to the Secretary immediately after the District-Meeting, that he may be prepared to report to the General Chapel Committee, and to the Conference, how far the prescribed conditions have been observed or violated.

8. A Circular shall be sent by the Secretary of the Chapel-Building Committee to the Superintendents and Trustees, where the debts upon the Chapels reported to the Conference greatly exceed the amount allowed by the Building-Committee, requiring them to use every effort to reduce such debts, and to bring them, as speedily as possible, within the limits first proposed ; and the Chairmen of Districts are required, at the ensuing May District-Meetings, to institute a most rigorous investigation into the state of such Trusts, and specially to report thereon at the ensuing Conference.

9. On receiving the Report of the Chapel-Building Committee for the past year, the Conference records its deep sense of the diligence and fidelity with which that Committee, and especially its Secretary, have discharged their several duties ; and is gratified to find that a considerable improvement has taken place in the practice of the Connexion generally, as to the erection of Chapels. But the Report exhibits many instances of gross disregard of our Rules and Regulations ; in some cases, by the violation of the conditions on which the Building-Committee had sanctioned the erection of new Chapels ; and in others by the building or enlargement of Chapels without application having been made to the Committee. Much experience has fully convinced the Conference, that it is impossible to prevent embarrassments to Chapel-Trusts but by a strict adherence to these Rules ; and it is ascertained that in consequence of those regulations having been disregarded, in some instances of recently-erected Chapels, the Trusts are already involved in pecuniary difficulties. The Conference therefore deems it necessary to enact, and resolves most strictly to enforce, the following Cautionary Laws which refer to the erection, purchase, and enlargement of Chapels ; and directs the attention of the Superintendents of Circuits, and the Chairmen of Districts, especially, to the following rules :—

(1.) That any applications to the Building-Committee to erect, purchase, or enlarge a Chapel, shall be made by furnishing specific answers to the questions contained in the “ Form of Application,” and, when desired, forwarding the plans, specifications, and estimates to the Committee ; and that before the work shall be commenced, two-thirds of the amount proposed to be expended shall have been promised, and at least one-half of the proposed cost be lodged in some respectable Bank. And it is also further required, that at least *one-half of the names of the gentlemen who are to act as Trustees* (their consent being previously ob-

the Committee, for their diligent attention to the business brought before them during the past year. The REV. GEORGE MARSDEN is re-appointed the Chairman of this Committee, and the REV. WILLIAM KELK the Secretary, for the ensuing year. All letters on the subject of Chapels to be built or enlarged should be addressed to the REV. WILLIAM KELK, *Great Bridgewater-Street, Manchester.*

3. The cordial thanks of the Conference are presented to the REV. WILLIAM KELK, for the zeal, judgment, and ability with which he has discharged his duty, as Secretary to the Chapel-Building Committee, during the past year.

4. The Ministers, Trustees, and others whom it may concern, are reminded that, according to Rule, "No case shall be sanctioned by the Committee, unless it shall come before them as having received the previous approbation of the Quarterly Meeting of the Circuit, and shall be recommended either by the Financial District-Meeting in September, or by the Annual District-Meeting in May; except that, if in any Circuit it be deemed probable that the erection, purchase, or enlargement of a new Chapel will be requisite after the Conference, and before the month of April, the plans, specifications, and estimates of which are not ready to be submitted to the Financial District-Meeting in September, the Chairman of that Meeting shall by letter state to the Building-Committee the opinion of the Meeting as to the general expediency of such erection; and in such cases the permission of the Chapel-Building Committee shall be a sufficient warrant for their procedure, that Committee paying special attention to the particular examination of such cases when the details shall come before them."

5. The Chapel-Building Committee are instructed, when their permission is given for the erection of any Chapel, to accompany it with an earnest request that the Trustees will subscribe annually, according to their means, from their Trust-Funds, in aid of the Chapel-Fund. (See also Q. xv., A. 6, p. 440, of these Minutes.)

6. A copy of the *conditions* on which the Chapel-Building Committee shall agree to sanction the erection, purchase, or enlargement of any Chapel, shall be sent to the Trustees of the said Chapel for insertion in their Trust-Book; and another to the Superintendent of the Circuit, which he is to see entered in the Circuit-Book.

7. In addition to the regulation which requires that "a copy of the conditions on which the Chapel-Building Committee may agree to sanction the erection, purchase, or enlargement of any Chapel" shall be sent to the Chairman of the District, the Conference directs that a Schedule be sent every year by the Secretary to the Superintendents of Circuits, containing the particulars of the cases in each Circuit, in which permission has been granted

Schedules may be obtained of the Secretary of the Chapel-Building Committee.

10. The Conference directs, in the case of all Chapels to be erected in future, that previously to their being opened, they shall be regularly registered as Places of Public Worship; and that the Certificate of such legal registration shall be publicly read at the Opening-service.

11. The Superintendents are required to examine, once a year, the Accounts of the Trustees of each Chapel within their respective Circuits; and the Chairmen of Districts shall institute particular inquiry, in the annual District-Meetings, as to the observance of this direction. This is rendered indispensably necessary by the provisions of the Charitable Trusts Bill.

12. The respectful thanks of the Conference are presented to FRANCIS PARNELL, Esq., of Manchester, for having erected, at his own expense, a very commodious and beautiful School-room at Stocks, in the First Manchester Circuit, and presented it to the Connexion free from debt.

13. The respectful thanks of the Conference are also presented to JOHN HANCOCK, Esq., for having built a new Chapel at Frenley, in the Stroud Circuit, and presented it to the Connexion free from debt.

EMBARRASSMENT OF CHAPEL-TRUSTS.

Q. XVII. What does the Conference direct with regard to the EMBARRASSMENT OF CHAPEL-TRUSTS?

A. The Conference, being deeply convinced that the pecuniary embarrassment of many of our Chapel-Trusts is a serious hinderance to the prosperity of the work of God in our Connexion, urges upon the Trustees, especially in those Circuits where great embarrassments exist, the adoption of such plans of pecuniary relief as may best suit peculiar local circumstances.

ERECTION OF CHAPEL-ORGANS.

Q. XVIII. What does the Conference direct in reference to the introduction of ORGANS into our Chapels?

A. 1. It having been found, that some cases of grievous pecuniary embarrassment have arisen from, or have been aggravated by, the imprudent erection of Organs, the Conference directs that all Applications shall be accompanied by the proper Form of Application, furnishing an account of the state of the Chapel-Trust, in order to its being ascertained how far it may be prudent to sanction the proposed erection of an Organ.

2. That, where it is practicable, the sanction of the District-Meeting for the erection of an Organ shall be obtained previously to the case being presented to the Chapel-Building Committee;

but where this is not practicable, the permission of the above-mentioned Committee shall be sufficient, except in any case where the District-Meeting shall *forbid* the erection of an Organ.

3. The Secretary of the Chapel-Building Committee is directed to prepare, and forward to the Chairmen of Districts, a copy of the conditions on which the said Committee have agreed to sanction the erection of an Organ, in order that it may be ascertained, at the Meetings usually held in May, how far the conditions prescribed have been observed. The Secretary is directed to report the whole of these affairs to the Conference.

SALE OF CHAPELS.

Q. XIX. What does the Conference direct in reference to the SALE OF CHAPELS?

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2. In order to provide for a difficulty which experience has shown may be sometimes expected to occur, it is resolved that in case the sale of a Chapel should become indispensable in the interval between one Conference and another, the President for the time being shall be, and hereby is, authorised, on behalf of the Conference, to affix his signature to the document giving permission to sell; provided that each case be first certified to him, as approved, by the Chapel-Building Committee.

The following Schedules may be had of Mr. Mason :—

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Q. XX. What are the Resolutions of the Conference respecting the CHILDREN'S FUND?

A. 1. The thanks of the Conference are hereby presented to the District-Treasurers of the Children's Fund throughout the kingdom, for their kind services during the year; and also to JOHN LOFTHOUSE, Esq., and the REV. SAMUEL D. WADDY, the General Treasurers, and to the REV. GEORGE B. MACDONALD, the General Secretary of the Fund.

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25 Hull	16,456	131
26 York	13,999	111
27 Whitby and Darlington	7,712	61
28 Newcastle-upon-Tyne.....	12,295	98
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CONTINGENT FUND.

Q. XXI. Who are appointed to act for the ensuing year as the General Treasurers, Secretaries, and Committee, of the CONTINGENT FUND?

A. 1. ARCHIBALD VICKERS, Esq., of Disley, near Manchester, and the REV. JOSEPH CUSWORTH, of Kingswood, near Bristol, are re-appointed the *Treasurers*; and the REV. JOHN STEPHENSON, and the REV. THOMAS DICKIN, are re-appointed the *Secretaries*.

The Committee are, the President and the Secretary of the Conference, the Ex-President; John Lofthouse, Esq., the Rev. Samuel D. Waddy, and the Rev. George B. Macdonald, as Treasurers and Secretary of the Children's Fund; the Revds. William Atherton, Dr. Bunting, William Burt, Corbett Cooke, Henry Davies, Joseph Fowler, John P. Haswell, William Horton, John Mason, William Naylor, Dr. Newton, Charles Prest, John Rigg, John Scott, and Francis A. West;—with *two* Gentlemen, members of our Society, to be chosen by the Circuit-Stewards at the May-Meeting of the Newcastle-upon-Tyne District, and one from each of the following Districts; viz., London, Liverpool, Manchester and Bolton, Halifax and Bradford, Leeds, Sheffield, Nottingham and Derby, Lincoln, Hull, York, Whitby and Darlington, Carlisle, and Edinburgh.

2. The thanks of the Conference are presented to ARCHIBALD VICKERS, Esq., and the REV. JOSEPH CUSWORTH, the Treasurers, and to the REV. JOHN STEPHENSON and the REV. THOMAS DICKIN, the Secretaries, of the Contingent Fund, for their faithful services during the past year.

N.B. The Committee of Distribution appointed to determine the *maximum* of Allowances to be made for Ordinaries to the several Districts, out of the Contingent Fund for 1851, after examining the probable income of that year, on the one hand, and the probable *comparative* necessities on the other hand, (taking into the account the increase or decrease of expense in the several Circuits of each District,) came to the following conclusions, which are now printed in conformity with the order of the Conference, for the information and direction of the Circuits, and of the September District-Meetings; viz.,—

	£.	s.	d.
<i>Yearly Collection</i> of 1851	6,583	0	0
<i>July or Home-Mission Collection</i> of 1851.....	3,641	0	0
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	10,224	0	0
Reserved for the payment of Extraordinaries in 1851	518	0	0
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There remains as a maximum to be now pro- visionally granted for Ordinaries	9,706	0	0

Districts.	Grants for Ordinaries.		
	£.	s.	d.
1 London.....	759	0	0
2 Bedford and Northampton	341	0	0
3 Kent	335	0	0
4 Norwich and Lynn	333	0	0
5 Oxford	365	0	0
6 Portsmouth.....	255	0	0
7 Guernsey	72	0	0
8 Devonport	231	0	0
9 Cornwall	201	0	0
10 Exeter	495	0	0
11 Bristol	485	0	0
12 Bath	197	0	0
13 First South Wales.....	139	0	0
14 Second South Wales	387	0	0
15 North Wales	350	0	0
16 Birmingham and Shrewsbury.....	572	0	0
17 Macclesfield	232	0	0
18 Liverpool	431	0	0
19 Manchester and Bolton	238	0	0
20 Halifax and Bradford	201	0	0
21 Leeds	90	0	0
22 Sheffield	54	0	0
23 Nottingham and Derby	308	0	0
24 Lincoln	117	0	0
25 Hull	118	0	0
26 York	11	0	0
27 Whitby and Darlington	280	0	0
28 Newcastle-upon-Tyne	202	0	0
29 Carlisle	289	0	0
30 Isle of Man			
31 Edinburgh and Aberdeen	578	0	0
32 Shetland	390	0	0
Ireland	650	0	0
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Q. XXII. What are the Standing Regulations which have been found necessary, respecting the just and fair Distribution among the Circuits of our Unmarried Ministers, with a view to the pecuniary relief of the Circuits so favoured ; and also respecting Grants in aid of expenses incurred by the temporary Supply for Afflicted or Deceased Ministers, and Grants towards the furnishing of Additional Houses for Ministers ?

A. The Resolutions on these several subjects, which on the

recommendation of the Special Committee of Finance who met in February, 1846, were adopted by the Conference, are continued and confirmed. They are as follows; viz.,—

I. That in future the unmarried Preachers, especially those yet on probation, shall be in general appointed to such Circuits only, as, from their recent formation, the present smallness of the numbers in Society, or other very unusual and extraordinary circumstances, have the best claim on the kindness of the Connexion for the pecuniary relief which is always implied in the appointment to any Circuit of a single, rather than of a married, Minister.

II. That in order to distribute fairly and righteously the pecuniary relief connected with the appointment of single Preachers, and yet at the same time to meet the just and indispensable claims of junior married Ministers as they ought to be met, the following plan and scale be recommended, as that on which the Stationing Committee and Conference shall act for the present, and until the number of houses for the regular accommodation of married Ministers shall become more adequate to the wants of the Connexion.

1. No Circuit having *twelve hundred* members or upwards shall have an unmarried Minister appointed in it at all; but when an additional Minister is requested, if the Conference grant the request, a married Minister shall be appointed; and the Circuit shall make suitable and satisfactory provision for him by furnishing a house; or, if the Conference so agree, *in any special case*, the Circuit shall supply such a pecuniary equivalent for a house to the Minister so appointed as shall be satisfactory to the Conference; but after the expiration of one or two years, a suitable house must be provided by the Circuit, for the future residence of the additional Minister.

2. In the case of other Circuits, to which some relief in the matter of immediate appointment of married Ministers may be found necessary, the scale at present shall be as subjoined; viz.,—

(1.) Circuits having *one thousand* members and upwards, but less than *twelve hundred*, if they request it, and it be found necessary and expedient that they should have a *third* Minister in addition to two previously appointed, may have a *junior* married Minister as that third Minister, on condition of their providing for him, at their own sole expense, either a small house or suitable lodgings.

(2.) In similar circumstances, Circuits having *eight hundred* Members and upwards, but less than *one thousand*, may, if they request an additional Preacher, and it be found necessary and expedient, have a junior married Minister, without *immediately* providing house or lodgings, on condition of their paying to such Minister for the year, in lieu of house-rent and all other allowances to married Ministers, the sum of £40, in addition to their ordinary allowances to a single Preacher.

(3.) Circuits having *six hundred* Members and upwards, but less than *eight hundred*, £35, on the same principles and conditions, excepting as to the reduction of the sum from £40 to £35.

(4.) Circuits having *four hundred* Members and upwards, but less than *six hundred*, £24, on the same principles and conditions, except as to the reduction of the sum from £35 to £24.

(5.) Circuits having less than *four hundred* Members may, if the District-Meeting and Conference deem it to be required by a due regard to the maintenance or extension of the work of God among us, and if the circumstances of the Fund will allow such indulgence, have a single Preacher appointed for such a time as may be found necessary and practicable; and, if unable to meet the whole expense, may have assistance from the Contingent Fund. But all *such* assistance shall be given in conformity to our established rules, by a Grant, or an increase of Grant, as the case may be, towards its ordinary deficiencies.

3. In all cases, every allowance from the Contingent Fund for Ordinaries, of whatever kind, or of whatever form, shall be duly entered in the Annual Account in one sum and one column, as a Grant in aid to the Circuit in connexion with whose name it is so entered.

III. That Circuits which have given pledges to receive married Ministers at the expiration of specified terms of years, and have considered the reception of these pledges as implying a well-founded expectation that the Conference will not require them to provide for married Ministers and their families at earlier periods, shall not be imperatively called upon to receive and provide for them at earlier periods than those contemplated in the arrangements, so that such arrangements shall not be superseded, unless such Circuits, taking into consideration the serious embarrassments of the Contingent Fund, can be induced sooner to acquiesce in the preceding plans.

IV. That as it may not be practicable for some Circuits immediately to comply with the proposed arrangements as to the entire support of junior married Ministers, the Committee of Distribution of the Contingent Fund shall be authorised to consider the peculiar necessities of such Circuits, and to assist them, either wholly or in part, to bear the increased expenditure to which they may be subjected, by affording from that Fund such a Grant towards their ordinary deficiencies as may be necessary for the purpose, so far as the state of the Fund will admit.

V. That as a very large and increasing charge upon the Contingent Fund arises from the claims annually made by some Circuits for expenses incurred in the supply of the places of afflicted and deceased Ministers, by Preachers sent in the course of the year by the President, the Conference directs the Committee of the Contingent Fund to watch applications for assistance from

the Fund on such grounds with more than ordinary vigilance ; and that, even in cases in which that Committee may deem it necessary to afford some relief, the amount granted shall not include the expense incurred by the board of the Preachers sent as supplies ; and the Conference also directs that the name of the Circuit so relieved shall be printed in the accounts of the Contingent Fund, under the head of “ Miscellaneous Expenses.”

VI. The Conference resolves that, in future, the Committee of Distribution of the Contingent Fund may be authorised to make Grants towards the expenses incurred in furnishing additional houses for the residence of our Ministers, when such Grants shall be applied for by the Quarterly Meetings of Circuits needing such assistance, in the following proportions ; viz.,—to Circuits having *eight hundred* Members, but less than *one thousand*, £10 may be allowed towards the furnishing of an additional house ; to Circuits having *six hundred* Members, but less than *eight hundred*, the sum of £20 ; to Circuits having *four hundred* Members, but less than *six hundred*, the sum of £30 ; and to Circuits having less than *four hundred* Members, the sum of £40. In all cases the applications of Circuits for Grants in aid of Furniture for additional houses shall be submitted to the Annual District-Meetings held in May, who are to judge of the real necessities of the cases to be brought under their consideration ; and the Committee of Distribution shall not make any Grant in aid of Furniture without the previous recommendation of the District Committee.

CIRCUIT-HOUSES.—Resolved, That the September and Annual District-Meetings be directed, when the Stewards are present, to make special inquiry respecting those Circuits which ought to provide additional houses for married Ministers.

The thanks of the Conference are presented to Mrs. Ward, of Hitchin, for the generous gift to the Connexion of a house which she has built and furnished for the residence of the Superintendent Minister of the Circuit.

The thanks of the Conference are presented to James Wardle, Esq., of Leek, for the generous gift to the Connexion of a house which he has built and furnished for the residence of a Minister.

The Conference adopts the following Resolutions, which were recommended by the Committee of the Contingent Fund, (at their Meeting, held on Thursday, July 25th,) in reference to a Special Fund for the relief of Ministers deprived of their Circuit supplies :—

“ This Committee having been informed that private contributions have been forwarded by certain benevolent Friends, for the assistance of Ministers who had been deprived of their regular means of support, through the proceedings of parties who, on system, and for the purposes of agitation, are endeavouring to

obstruct the working of our Connexional economy ; and several of the gentlemen present having expressed their readiness to contribute further towards their relief,—

“ On the motion of THOMAS FARMER, Esq., of Gunnersbury; seconded by JOHN HARTLEY, Esq., of Wolverhampton ; it was

“ Resolved unanimously,—

“ 1. That a Special Fund, for this purpose, distinct from the Contingent Fund, be now instituted, to commence with the sums already remitted to Ministers in the disturbed Circuits, and those now offered by Gentlemen present in this Meeting.

“ On the motion of ARCHIBALD VICKERS, Esq., of Disley; seconded by THOMAS GARLAND, Esq., of Redruth ; it was

“ Resolved unanimously,—

“ 2. That the following Ministers and Gentlemen be constituted a Committee, to consider the cases which need assistance, and apportion aid from the Special Fund according to their relative necessities :—

REV. JOHN BEECHAM, D.D., President of the Conference,

Rev. Jabez Bunting, D.D.,

— Frederick J. Jobson,

— Robert Newton, D.D.,

— John Scott,

— George Taylor,

— Samuel Tindall ;

Thomas Farmer, Esq., Gunnersbury,

James Heald, Esq., M.P., Parr's
Wood, Stockport,

John Vanner, Esq., London,

P. Brames Hall, Esq., London,

John Burton, Esq., Leeds,

John Hartley, Esq., Wolverhampton,

Thomas Crook, Esq., Liverpool,

Charles Cooper, Esq., Manchester,

George Smith, Esq., Canborne,

Samuel H. Smith, Esq., Sheffield,

Ralph Wilson, Esq., Newcastle-upon-
Tyne.

“ THOMAS FARMER, Esq., is appointed the Treasurer ; and the REV. FREDERICK J. JOBSON the Secretary.”

Yearly and July Collections.—The REV. JOHN STEPHENSON, one of the Secretaries of the Contingent Fund Committee, has authority to correspond with Chairmen of Districts and Superintendents of Circuits, in order to obtain more full information concerning the necessities and claims of the poorer Circuits. New Papers on these subjects, containing a selection of facts which such information may supply, shall be prepared and published previously to the times when the Yearly and July Collections shall be made.

WORN-OUT MINISTERS' AND MINISTERS' WIDOWS' AUXILIARY FUND.

Q. XXIII. Who are the Committee of the WORN-OUT MINISTERS' AND MINISTERS' WIDOWS' AUXILIARY FUND,—appointed to superintend the general state and working of that Fund ; and also to consider and decide upon such peculiar cases of Supernumerary and Superannuated Ministers, and of Widows

of Deceased Ministers, as may be specially recommended by the District-Meetings in the ensuing year, for some *occasional* relief from that Fund?

A. The PRESIDENT and the SECRETARY of the Conference; the EX-PRESIDENT; and the

Rev. William Atherton,
 — Dr. Bunting,
 — Joseph Fowler,
 — Thomas Harris,
 — John P. Haswell,
 — Samuel Jackson,
 — John Mason,
 — William Naylor,
 — Dr. Newton,
 — John Rigg,
 — Robert Young;

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 Isaac James, Esq., Carlisle,
 George Smith, Esq., Camborne,
 Thomas Stanley, Esq., Newcastle,
 Archibald Vickers, Esq., Disley,
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N.B. Should any of the persons belonging to this Committee be unable to attend its Meeting on the Saturday previous to the assembling of the next Conference, early notice should be sent to the PRESIDENT, who has authority to appoint substitutes.

Q. XXIV. Who are appointed the TREASURERS and the SECRETARIES of the Auxiliary Fund, for the ensuing year?

A. 1. GEORGE R. CHAPPELL, Esq., of Manchester, and the REV. JOHN SCOTT, of London, are requested to accept the office of Treasurers; and the REV. THOMAS EASTWOOD, and the REV. HENRY H. CHETTLE, that of Secretaries; and they are *ex-officio* members of the Committee.

2. The cordial thanks of the Conference are presented to GEORGE R. CHAPPELL, Esq., and the REV. JOHN SCOTT, the General Treasurers, and to the REV. THOMAS EASTWOOD, the Secretary, for their valuable services during the past year; and also to the DISTRICT-TREASURERS and CIRCUIT-TREASURERS, to whose continued and faithful attention the success of the Fund is so largely indebted.

Q. XXV. What are the regulations to be observed in collecting that part of the income of the Auxiliary Fund which is raised by DONATIONS IN THE CLASSES?

A. 1. Each Circuit is to be responsible to the General Treasurers for a yearly sum equal at the least, on a general average of all the Societies included within that Circuit, to Sixpence per Member, taking the numbers for the Circuit, in all cases, as returned to the preceding Conference, and published in its Minutes.

2. The Conference directs, that at the renewal of the Society Tickets during the September Visitation, every Minister shall fully explain to the Members of each Class the nature and reasonableness of those claims upon their justice and liberality, which were intended to be met by the establishment of this Fund. He

shall also give to each member a short printed Address, explanatory of the same particulars. He shall then enter in the Class-Book the individual subscriptions, as in the case of the Yearly Collection at the March Visitation. At the *first* or *second* Class-Meetings in the month of October, the Leaders shall collect the Subscriptions thus promised, and shall pay the same to the Circuit-Treasurer, as hereinafter appointed.

3. In order to prevent a deficiency in the sum which an average of Sixpence per Member throughout England, Scotland, and Wales would raise, the Conference directs that the Ministers of every Circuit be enjoined, with the assistance of our lay-friends, to do their utmost to raise its full proportion in October next, by the Subscriptions in the Classes; and that, in any Circuit which shall then prove deficient, Public collections shall be made to meet such deficiency, if not otherwise provided for.

4. In every Circuit, at the September Quarterly Meeting, a Circuit-Treasurer for the Worn-out Ministers' and Widows' Fund shall be appointed, whose office it shall be,

(1.) To meet the Class-Leaders, not later than the last week in October, in order to examine the books in which the contributions of the Members shall have been entered; and to receive the sums which shall have been paid, in the early part of that month.

(2.) To see, or send to, for the same purpose, those Leaders who cannot attend the Meeting.

(3.) To confer with the Ministers and leading Friends of the Circuit, if it should happen in any case that the amount received in the Classes falls below the proportionate sum chargeable on the Circuit, on the best method of making up the deficiency.

(4.) To remit the Circuit contribution to the District-Treasurer for the Auxiliary Fund, as is the case in respect to the Children's Fund;—this remittance to be made in the month of November, *at the latest*.

5. At each Financial District-Meeting, held in September, a District-Treasurer shall be chosen, to whom all sums raised in the Circuits of his District shall be paid, and he shall transmit such sums to the General Treasurers not later than the 13th of December. These remittances are to be addressed to the REV. JOHN SCOTT, *St. George's Terrace, Islington, London*.

6. At the Annual District-Meetings, held in May, when the Circuit-Stewards are in attendance, the District-Treasurers shall report the sums which they have received from the several Circuits;—when, if any Circuit has not raised its quota, the Ministers and Stewards of that Circuit shall be urged to make up the deficiency; and arrangements shall be made for the continued prosecution in the several Circuits of this truly Christian measure, which the Connexion, in the Centenary year, so unanimously recommended to the adoption of the Conference.

Q. XXVI. Have the DONATIONS IN THE CLASSES during the last year amounted, on the average, to Sixpence per Member?

A. The Conference has great satisfaction in the statement of the General Treasurers, that, notwithstanding the special and systematic attempt, which has been made by certain disaffected parties, to prevent the contributions of our people to this Fund at the September visitation of the Classes, the amount of those contributions is very little short of the amount reported for the preceding year; and it hereby tenders its most cordial thanks to the Societies generally, and also to the Congregations to whom, in some instances, it has been found necessary to appeal, for the assistance they have kindly rendered.

Q. XXVII. What are the Resolutions of the Conference in reference to the DEFICIENCY OF INCOME apparent in the Accounts for the year?

A. 1. That the sums now annually paid to Supernumerary Ministers and Widows were so considerably arranged, so generally and publicly discussed and approved by the entire Connexion, during the Centenary year, that the faith of the Connexion must be regarded as being pledged to their continuance.

2. That the Conference, under these circumstances, observes, with regret, that the amount of the June Subscriptions in support of this Fund has since that period very seriously declined, so that the Fund is insufficient, with its present income, to meet the claims on which the estimates for its distribution were then settled; and, unless effectual measures be adopted to secure a considerable accession to this source of income, the most afflictive consequences to the claimants may be reasonably apprehended.

Q. XXVIII. What are the Resolutions of the Conference on the subject of the ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTIONS, heretofore solicited in June?

A. 1. The Conference cannot but express disappointment, on finding that the June subscriptions for the last year—notwithstanding the Special Resolutions adopted by the last Conference, and the engagements made by the Ministers to re-canvass their respective Circuits—fall somewhat below the amount for the preceding year. The *peculiar circumstances* of the past year may probably have occasioned interruption to that more general appeal which the last Conference directed to be made; and, on this ground, the Conference is willing to admit that there may be *some* plea for the comparative failure which is now reported. But the fact of such a failure only renders more imperative the necessity of a general and earnest attention, during the coming year, to the strong resolutions and recommendations adopted by the last Conference, on the subject of a speedy and permanent augmentation of this Fund. That subject is again, therefore, urged on the serious regard both of our Ministers and people, in the hope that the existing emergency may be satisfactorily provided for.

2. In order to facilitate this object, the Conference hereby directs that the applications for Annual Subscriptions to this Fund be henceforth made in the month of May, instead of June; and that the lists of Subscribers be forwarded to the REV. THOMAS EASTWOOD, *Bridlington-Quay*, not later than June 30th.

N.B. 1. As it has appeared to the Committee that applications for Special Grants have been frequently made to the Secretary, and presented by him to the Committee, which have not been examined and recommended by the respective District-Meetings; at the request of the Committee it is now directed by the Conference that, in future, no applications be entertained by the Committee, unless they shall have been considered by the District-Meetings, and shall have received their sanction.

2. The Chairmen of Districts are required to send to the REV. THOMAS EASTWOOD such parts of the Minutes of the District-Meetings as relate to this Fund, *immediately after the May Meeting of their Districts*; in order that he may have sufficient time to arrange the cases specially recommended to the consideration of the Committee, and to prepare the Annual General Statement.

3. The Committee reported that, by the generous kindness of Miss Rothwell, of Sunning-Hill, the sum of £900 stock, in the London and North-Western Railway Company, had been settled on Trustees by deed of gift, the dividends to be paid annually to the "Worn-out Ministers' Fund," as the contribution of her late brother, Peter Rothwell, Esq., of Sunning-Hill; and also, that Richard Crook, Esq., of Liverpool, one of Mr. Rothwell's Executors, had remitted to the Treasurers the sum of £21.16s.10d., (as acknowledged in the last Report,) being the first half-year's dividend. It is unanimously resolved, that the most respectful and cordial thanks of the Conference be presented to Miss Rothwell, for her Christian generosity in this valuable contribution to the Fund, in the name of her late highly-respected and lamented brother, whose memory the Conference cherishes with the most affectionate regard.

4. Resolved, also, that the cordial thanks of the Conference be presented to Richard Crook, Esq., for the kind interest which he has taken, in conjunction with Miss Rothwell, in preparing the Deed of Settlement referred to in the last resolution, and in completing the transaction.

5. The cordial thanks of the Conference are specially presented to the following friends, for their generous contributions to the Auxiliary Fund; viz.,—

ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTIONS.

	£.	s.	d.
William Atherton, Esq., London	5	5	0
Mr. and Mrs. Bennett, London	5	5	0

	£	s	d
William Betts, Esq., Southampton	5	0	0
Mrs. Isaac Crowther, Morley	10	10	0
Mrs. Moulton, Lincoln	5	0	0
Mrs. Parker, Warwick-Hall	5	0	0
Francis Riggall, Esq., Bristol	20	0	0
Miss Rothwell, Bolton	10	10	0
J. F. Sutcliffe, Esq., Willow-Hall.....	5	5	0
Mrs. J. F. Sutcliffe, ditto	5	5	0

DONATIONS.

	£	s	d
James Clarkson Kay, Esq., Bury, by the Rev. Thomas Jackson...	16	13	4
Mr. N. Waddingham, Hull, West, by the Rev. C. Prest	30	0	0
William Shipperry, Esq., Worthing	10	0	0
A Jamaica Wesleyan Layman, by the Rev. Jonathan Edmondson	10	0	0
A Well-Wisher to the Worn-out Ministers' Fund, by the Rev. F. Collier, Scarborough	15	0	0
H. Goring, Esq., Oxford	5	0	0
Mrs. Scott, Bath	30	0	0
R. Townend, Esq., Salford	5	0	0
R. Lomas, Esq., Salford	5	0	0
Mr. Whelpton, Derby	5	0	0

The thanks of the Conference are also presented to the Executors who have paid the following Legacies:—

	£	s	d
Late Mrs. M. Russell, by Mr. Burleigh, Bristol	12	2	10
Late Mrs. Woodworth, Manchester.....	5	0	0
Late Mr. John Tucker, Buckfastleigh	19	19	0
Late Mr. William Cuthbert, Gainsborough	76	16	0
Late F. Sutherland, Esq., Leith	99	0	0
Late Mr. John Rowley, Stourbridge	5	0	0
Late Miss Mary Radford, Castle-Donington	45	0	0
Late Rev. Joseph Meek	20	0	0
Gift of the late Alexander Grylls Suter, Esq, Halifax.....	48	10	0

N.B. The cordial thanks of the Conference are presented to the following Friends of the METHODIST MINISTERS' ANNUITANT SOCIETY, (instituted for the benefit of our Worn-out Ministers, and of Widows of Ministers,) for their benevolent and very seasonable Donations to that institution:—

	£	s	d
The Representatives of the late Mrs. Sundius.....	30	0	0
The Rev. Thomas Garbutt, 1st.....	10	0	0
John Irving, Esq., Bristol.....	10	0	0
George Heald, Esq., by Rev. Dr. Bunting	5	0	0
M. C., by Rev. John Scott	5	0	0

The thanks of the Conference are also presented to the Executors who have paid the following Legacies:—

	£	s	d
The late Mrs. Lydia Newton, for the prompt payment of a Legacy	375	19	11
The late Rev. John Rogers, per Rev. S. Beard	19	19	0
The late James Wood, Esq., per T. P. Bunting, Esq.,	300	0	0

* * * In order to show to our benevolent Friends the pressing necessities of the Methodist Ministers' Annuitant Society, it is deemed right to state, that the Members have been under the necessity of reducing the amount of Annuities in the first or lowest class, from £19. 19s. to £10 each, and in the other classes in a just proportion, at the same time of raising the annual Subscription to £6. 6s., a sum inconveniently large for many of our Ministers to pay.

Resolved,—That, regarding it as the duty, if possible, of every man, and therefore of every Christian Minister, to make some provision, in the time of health and strength, for the infirmities of age, and, when he may himself be removed hence, for the support of those who are now dependent upon him, and the Methodist Ministers' Annuitant Society affording an eligible means for making such provision, the Conference deems it expedient not only to recommend, but to require, that every Minister, admitted into full ministerial connexion with us, shall avail himself of the privilege which has long existed in our body, and become a member of the Methodist Ministers' Annuitant Society.

WESLEYAN THEOLOGICAL INSTITUTION.

Q. XXIX. What are the Resolutions of the Conference with regard to the WESLEYAN THEOLOGICAL INSTITUTION?

A. 1. The Conference receives, with gratitude to Him who is the Giver of all good, the reports which have been given of the efficient and prosperous working of the Institution, in both its Branches.

2. The Conference gratefully acknowledges the very important services rendered by the venerable PRESIDENT of the Institution during the past year; and, renewing to him the tender of its most cordial thanks, trusts that the benefit of his valuable counsel and influence in favour of the Institution may, by his continuance in that office, be perpetuated for years to come.

3. The cordial thanks of the Conference are presented to the REV. THOMAS JACKSON and the REV. DR. HANNAH, the Theological Tutors; to the REV. SAMUEL JACKSON and the REV. JOHN BOWERS, the House-Governors; and to the REV. JOHN FARRAR and the REV. JONATHAN CROWTHER, the Classical Tutors, for the satisfactory manner in which they have discharged the duties of their respective offices during the past year.

4. The cordial thanks of the Conference are presented to JAMES HEALD, Esq., M.P., and the REV. JOHN FARRAR, the General Treasurers; to THOMAS FARMER, Esq., and P. BRAMES HALL, Esq., the Treasurers of the Southern Branch; and to JOHN BURTON, Esq., and JOHN D. BURTON, Esq., the Treasurers of the Northern Branch,—for their diligent and faithful services during the past year: and they are respectfully requested to

accept a re-appointment to those several offices during the next year.

5. The thanks of the Conference are presented to the REV. JONATHAN CROWTHER, the General Secretary; to the REV. FREDERICK J. JOBSON, the Secretary of the Southern Branch; and to the REV. ISAAC KEELING, the Secretary of the Northern Branch,—for their services during the past year; and they are severally re-appointed to the same offices for the year ensuing.

6. The Conference learns with satisfaction that the Quarterly Meetings of several Circuits, and several bodies of Trustees, have again forwarded contributions in support of the Institution; and trusts that their example may be generally followed.

7. Great advantage having been derived from the adoption of the plan which directed the Committee for the Special Examination of all Candidates for our Ministry to sit *before*, instead of *after*, each Annual Session of the Conference, it is further directed that all Candidates recommended by the respective District-Meetings in May, shall be summoned to London at a time to be fixed by the President, and subjected to an additional examination by a Committee, consisting of the President and the Secretary of the Conference, the Tutors and House-Governors of both Branches of the Institution, the Missionary Secretaries, and such other Ministers as may be selected for that purpose from their own number by the next Annual Meeting of the London District.—The REV. JOHN RATTENBURY and the REV. DAVID HAY are re-appointed the Secretaries of this Committee.

8. The Ministers are directed to collect the Donations and Subscriptions which may have been promised in their respective Circuits, and as many others as they may be able to procure, in aid of the Funds of the Theological Institution, during the first and second weeks of the month of January, 1851; and to remit them to the REV. JOHN FARRAR, at the *Wesleyan Theological Institution, Richmond, Surrey*, not later than the end of January.

Q. XXX. Who are the GENERAL COMMITTEE for the ensuing year?

A. The President and the Secretary of the Conference; the General Treasurers and Secretary; the President of the Institution; the Tutors and House-Governors of both Branches; the Local Treasurers and Secretaries; the Rev. John Scott, as one of the Treasurers of the Wesleyan Missionary Society; and the General Secretaries of that Society. The Rev. John Mason, the Rev. Frederick J. Jobson, and Messrs. T. Crook and P. Kruse, are requested to act as Auditors; and shall, as such, be Members of the General Committee.

Q. XXXI. Who are the LOCAL COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT for the *Southern Branch* of the Institution?

A. The President of the Conference; the President of the Institution; Thomas Farmer, and P. Brames Hall, Esqrs., the Local Treasurers; the Local Secretary; the Richmond Tutors and House-Governor; the Rev. John Scott, one of the General Treasurers of the Wesleyan Missionary Society; the Secretaries of that Society; the Book-Steward and Editors; and the following Ministers and Gentlemen:—

Rev. Dr. Beaumont,
 Rev. John Brown, 1st,
 Rev. William M. Bunting,
 John M. Camplin, Esq.,
 John Chubb, Esq.,
 Rev. Joseph Fowler,
 Mr. Thomas Frid,
 Christopher Gabriel, Esq.,
 Rev. William D. Goy,
 Rev. John Hall,
 Rev. Joseph Hargreaves,
 James Hoby, Esq.,
 James Hunter, Esq.,
 John Hunter, Esq.,
 Thomas Knight, Esq.,

Mr. Peter Kruse,
 Rev. John C. Leppington,
 Rev. John Lomas,
 Rev. Peter M'Owan,
 Rev. William Naylor,
 William W. Pocock, Esq.,
 Rev. John Rattenbury,
 Richard M. Reece, Esq.,
 Rev. John Rigg,
 Rev. George Scott, 1st,
 Rev. Joseph Stinson,
 Rev. Alexander Strachan,
 John Vanner, Esq.,
 Greaves Walker, Esq.

Q. XXXII. Who are the LOCAL COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT for the *Northern* Branch of the Institution?

A. The President of the Institution; James Heald, Esq., M.P., one of the General Treasurers; John Burton, and John D. Burton, Esqrs., the Local Treasurers; the Local Secretary; the Didsbury Tutors and House-Governor; and the following Ministers and Gentlemen:—

T. Allen, Esq., Macclesfield,
 Rev. Alfred Barrett, Manchester,
 Richard Bealey, Esq., Radcliffe,
 T. P. Bunting, Esq., Manchester,
 W. Cheesborough, Esq., Bradford,
 C. Cooper, Esq., Manchester,
 T. Crook, Esq., Liverpool,
 J. Fernley, Esq., Manchester,
 James Garstang, Esq., ditto,
 Rev. Charles Haydon, ditto,
 Rev. I. Holgate, ditto,
 J. R. Kay, Esq., Bury,
 Rev. William Kelk, Manchester,
 John Lomas, Esq., ditto,
 Rev. John M'Owan, Bolton,
 Rev. G. Marsden, Glossop,

G. Marsden, Esq., Manchester,
 J. Marshall, Esq., Stockport,
 John Mayson, Esq., Manchester,
 Rev. Dr. Newton, Liverpool,
 Rev. George Osborn, ditto,
 Rev. Richard Ray, ditto,
 Rev. W. W. Stamp, Liverpool,
 G. Turner, Esq., M.D., Stockport,
 A. Vickers, Esq., Disley,
 Rev. S. D. Waddy, Sheffield,
 Rev. F. A. West, Huddersfield,
 J. P. Brown Westhead, Esq., M.P.,
 Manchester,
 E. Westhead, Esq., ditto,
 Peter Wood, Esq., M.D., ditto.

EDUCATION.

Q. XXXIII. What are the Resolutions of the Conference on the subject of WESLEYAN EDUCATION?

A. 1. The Conference adopts the following Resolutions of the Special Meeting of the Committee of Education, held in London, on Monday, July 29th, 1850:—

“I. That this Meeting receives with much satisfaction the Report now presented of the proceedings of the Education Committee during the past year; and especially acknowledges, with gratitude to Almighty God, the favourable progress of the buildings now nearly completed, which are to form the new Normal Institution for the training of Day-School Teachers.

“II. That this Meeting highly approves the course adopted by the Education Committee, acting in conjunction with the Committee of Privileges, in relation to the Bill introduced into Parliament by Mr. Fox during the present session, but happily discountenanced by the Government, and ultimately abandoned, intituled, ‘A Bill to promote the Secular Education of the People in England and Wales;’ and again declares its determination to maintain the principles uniformly held and expressed by the Wesleyan Methodists, with respect to the paramount obligation, necessity, and moral efficiency of a system of education specifically religious, and based on the holy Scriptures.

“III. That this Meeting recognises the solemn and imperative duty of religiously educating the young, as at all times binding on the Christian church, but now more especially urged upon the Wesleyan Connexion, by the growth of juvenile depravity in the country,—the admitted necessity of an education that shall be productive of moral improvement,—and the general concurrence of opinion in favour of a system of education administered by the religious bodies of the nation: And also recommends the establishment of Wesleyan Day-Schools on a much larger scale than heretofore, as imperatively called for by present circumstances.”

2. The Conference very cordially approves the proposal made at the said Meeting to raise forthwith, by a general Subscription, the additional sum of £10,000, for the purpose of completing the Buildings of the Normal Institution at Westminster, and for other purposes connected with its establishment; and gratefully acknowledges the following Subscriptions already promised towards that amount:—

	£.	s.	d.
Thomas Farmer, Esq.	500	0	0
James Heald, Esq., M.P.	500	0	0
John Robinson Kay, Esq.	500	0	0

3. The President of the Conference is hereby authorised to call a Meeting of the principal friends and supporters of Wesleyan Education, to be held in London at an early period, for the purpose of devising the best means of completing the said sum of £10,000, and of arranging for the holding of a series of Public Meetings in the leading provincial towns, in accordance with the direction of the last Conference, (see Minutes, 1849, p. 267,) at which the subscription in question may be promoted, and the

general objects and plans contemplated in our present educational movement be explained and recommended.

4. That, to facilitate the raising of the required amount, the Subscriptions promised be considered as payable in two instalments, the first in March, 1851, and the second in March, 1852.

5. The Conference receives with the attention which it deserves, the request of the Education Committee that some Minister of the Connexion who may be considered eligible for the office of Principal of the New Normal School should be indicated by name this year, with a view to his having the opportunity of preparing himself for the active exercise of the duties of his office immediately after the next Conference; and also generally concurs in the opinion expressed by the Committee as to the qualifications which any Minister who may be appointed to such office should possess; but, not being prepared at present to make such a specific nomination, the Conference remits this important subject to the Education Committee, with instructions that they shall exercise their best discretion in making the needful arrangements and communications, subject to the confirmation of the Conference at its next annual session.

6. The thanks of the Conference are presented to the REV. JOHN SCOTT, the Chairman of the Education Committee; to JAMES HUNTER, Esq., and the REV. JOHN RATTENBURY, the Treasurers; to the REV. THOMAS VASEY, the REV. J. GILCHRIST WILSON, and the REV. MICHAEL C. TAYLOR, the Secretaries; and to the Members of the Acting Committee, for the zealous and faithful manner in which they have discharged the duties of their respective departments during the year.

7. The REV. JOHN SCOTT is re-appointed the Chairman of the Committee; JAMES HUNTER, Esq., and the REV. JOHN RATTENBURY, are re-appointed the Treasurers; and the REV. THOMAS VASEY, the REV. J. GILCHRIST WILSON, and the REV. MICHAEL C. TAYLOR, are re-appointed the Secretaries for the ensuing year.

8. The Committee shall consist of the following persons; viz., —the President and the Secretary of the Conference, the Ex-President, the Rev. John Scott, (*Chairman*,) the Treasurers and Secretaries,

Rev. Dr. Alder,
 — William Arthur,
 — Willson Brailsford,
 — Dr. Beaumont,
 — Dr. Bunting,
 — Joseph Fowler,
 — John Hall,
 — Joseph Hargreaves,
 — Samuel Jackson,

Rev. Frederick J. Jobson,
 — John Lomas,
 — Peter M'Owan,
 — William Naylor,
 — John Rigg,
 — George Scott, 1st,
 — William L. Thornton, M.A.,
 — Theophilus Woolmer;

Mr. Armstrong,
Mr. Daniel Birt,
Mr. William Bourne,
Mr. John Chubb,
Thomas Farmer, Esq.,
Thomas Gurney, Esq.,
James Heald, Esq., M.P.,
James Hoby, Esq.,
Mr. W. Iuce,

Thomas Knight, Esq.,
Mr. P. Kruse,
J. Lidgett, Esq.,
F. Lycett, Esq.,
R. Matthews, Esq.,
John Vanner, Esq.,
Greaves Walker, Esq.,
J. P. Brown Westhead, Esq., M.P.;

And, for the Country,

Rev. William Bacon,
— William Barton,
— William Burt,
— Alexander Bell,
— John Bowers,
— Jonathan Crowther,
— Dr. Dixon,
— Peter Duncan,
— Joseph Entwisle,
— Samuel R. Hall,
— John P. Haswell,
— Israel Holgate,
— William Illingworth,
— Isaac Keeling,
— George B. Macdonald,
— James Methley,
— Robert Newstead,
— George Osborn,
— John C. Pengelly,
— Charles Prest,
— John Stephenson,
— William Vevera,
— Samuel D. Waddy,
— Francis A. West,
— Robert Young;

S. Bennett, Esq., Bickering's-Park,
W. Betts, Esq., Southampton,
T. P. Bunting, Esq., Manchester,
J. Burton, Esq., Leeds,
J. D. Burton, Esq., Manchester,
C. Cooper, Esq., Manchester,
T. Crook, Esq., Liverpool,
Thomas Garland, Esq., Redruth,
Henry Holland, Esq., Bristol,
Thomas Holmes, Esq., Hull,
J. Irving, Esq., Bristol,
J. R. Kay, Esq., Bury,
John Mayson, Esq., Manchester,
Mr. Alderman Meek, York,
F. Parnell, Esq., Manchester,
Thomas Sands, Esq., Liverpool,
Dr. Sandwith, Hull,
George Sercombe, Esq., Exeter,
W. Shipperry, Esq., Worthing,
George Smith, Esq., Camborne,
S. H. Smith, Esq., Sheffield,
Thomas Sutcliffe, Esq., Willow-Hall,
T. Walker, Esq., Cheltenham,
W. Walker, Esq., Bradford,
Peter Wood, Esq., M.D., Manchester.

9. The state of Education shall be considered at each annual District-Meeting, as directed by the Minutes of 1841; when the Circuit-Schedules on this subject shall be carefully examined, and transmitted, with one General District-Schedule, to the Secretaries, not later than the 15th day of June. (See Minutes, 1841, Vol. IX., p. 246.)

10. The Conference being aware of the inconvenience and distress, or even positive failure, which would probably result in cases where any other *item* of importance, beyond the *current expenses* of the School, might be required to be annually provided for, recommends to all Local Committees to aim, in the commencement of their respective undertakings, at having their School Premises entirely free from debt; and, with a view to the securing of this object,—

The Conference directs the parties contemplating the erection of premises (or any expensive alteration or enlargement of premises already erected) for the establishment of *new* Schools, to commu-

nicate,—First, With the Education Committee, for the purpose of receiving suitable counsel as to the general eligibility of their projected undertaking, and the adaptation of the premises to the system of instruction designed to be adopted; and, **Secondly**, With the Chapel-Building Committee, for the purpose of receiving such advice and assistance, in regard to the proposed building-plans and estimates, as the experience of that Committee may enable them to give.

11. The following Ministers and Friends are particularly invited to attend a Special Meeting of the above-named Education Committee, which will be held in Newcastle-upon-Tyne, at nine o'clock, A.M., on Monday, July 28th, 1851; viz.,—

Rev. Hugh Beech,
 ——— Corbett Cooke,
 ——— Joseph Cusworth,
 ——— Henry Davies,
 ——— Thomas Eastwood,
 ——— John Farrar,
 ——— Thomas Harris,
 ——— John Hobson,
 ——— Timothy C. Ingle,
 ——— George Jackson,
 ——— Robert Jackson,
 ——— William Lord,
 ——— Robert M. MacBrair,
 ——— George Marsden,
 ——— Barnard Slater,
 ——— Jacob Stanley, sen.,
 ——— Samuel Tindall,
 ——— Edward Walker,
 Benjamin Agar, Esq., York,
 Mr. George Bargate, Newcastle-upon-Tyne,
 Thomas Barker, Esq., North-Shields,
 Mr. John Bate, Faversham,
 Richard Bealey, Esq., Bury,
 Robert Brown, Esq., Sunderland,
 J. Carne, Esq., Penzance,
 John Carr, Esq., Brighton,
 James Chadwick, Esq., York,
 W. Dyson, Esq., Howden,
 J. B. Falconar, Esq., Newcastle-upon-Tyne,

John Fernley, Esq., Manchester,
 George Fishwick, Esq., Garstang,
 Mr. Thomas Fletcher, Sunderland,
 R. Hardey, Esq., Hull,
 Mr. George Hunter, Newcastle-upon-Tyne,
 W. R. Johnson, Esq., Manchester,
 Mr. Joseph Kempster, Gateshead,
 Mr. Joseph Leather, Liverpool,
 J. Lofthouse, Esq., Sheffield,
 Mr. George Marshall, Newcastle-upon-Tyne,
 J. Marshall, Esq., Stockport,
 S. Mease, Esq., North-Shields,
 Mr. Thomas Morland, Gateshead,
 J. B. Sharpley, Esq., Louth,
 William Skinner, Esq., Stockton,
 George Smith, Esq., Leeds,
 William Smith, Esq., ditto,
 Thomas Speeding, Esq., Monkwearmouth,
 Thomas Stanley, Esq., Newcastle-upon-Tyne,
 William Turner, Esq., Derby,
 George Turner, Esq., M.D., Stockport,
 Archibald Vickers, Esq., Disley,
 Mr. John Vickers, Gateshead,
 Richard Walker, Esq., Stockton,
 Mr. George Wilkinson, Hull,
 Ralph Wilson, Esq., Newcastle-upon-Tyne;

and the Education Committee is empowered to invite to this Meeting any other Friends who take part in the support and extension of our Day-School System.

Communications respecting Candidates for training to be addressed to the **REV. THOMAS VASEY**, *Stamford-Hill, London*. Applications for Teachers, and all communications from and respecting Teachers, to be addressed to the **REV. J. GILCHRIST WILSON**, 26, *Bunhill-Row, London*. All other communications

to be addressed to the **REV. MICHAEL C. TAYLOR**, 10, *St. George's-Terrace, Islington, London.*

CATECHUMEN CLASSES, AND PASTORAL CARE OF THE YOUNG.

Q. XXXIV. What does the Conference determine on the subject of **CATECHUMEN CLASSES, AND PASTORAL CARE OF THE YOUNG?**

A. 1. The Conference receives with satisfaction the Report of the Committee.

2. The **REV. SAMUEL JACKSON** is appointed the Convener of the Committee now appointed; and those friends who have inquiries to make, or suggestions to offer, are directed to communicate with him.

3. The Book-Committee are instructed to prepare a List of Select Scriptural Lessons, two for each week, properly dated, for the use of Schools, Families, and Catechumen Classes, during the year 1851; to be sold at the Book-Room. The List shall be printed in such a manner as to form a small, neat book; and provision be made at the commencement for the insertion of the names of the Catechumen, Circuit, and Minister.

4. The subject of Catechumen Schedules is referred to the London Book-Committee, who are instructed to act in consultation with the **REV. SAMUEL JACKSON.**

5. The following Ministers are appointed a Committee for the general direction of this effort:—

The President of the Conference,
The Secretary of the Conference,
Rev. William Barton,
— Hugh Carter,
— Jonathan Crowther,
— James Dixon, D.D.,
— Robert Huston,
— Robert Jackson,
— Samuel Jackson,
— Frederick J. Jobson,

Rev. John Lomas,
— James Methley,
— George Osborn,
— William H. Rule,
— Robinson Scott,
— William L. Thornton, M.A.,
— Thomas Waugh,
— Francis A. West,
— Robert Young;

with power to add to their number.

N.B. Authority is given to the **REV. SAMUEL JACKSON** to receive subscriptions towards the support of a Catechist in France.

RELIGIOUS OBSERVANCE OF THE SABBATH.

Q. XXXV. What Resolutions does the Conference adopt in reference to the **RELIGIOUS OBSERVANCE OF THE SABBATH?**

A. 1. The Conference has heard with interest and satisfaction the Report of the proceedings of the Sabbath Committee during the year; and directs that the Report which has now been read be forwarded to the Editors of the Wesleyan Magazine for the

purpose of making such selections for publication as they may deem proper.

2. The cordial and respectful thanks of the Conference are presented to JAMES HEALD, Esq., M.P., for his Parliamentary services in promoting the Sabbath cause; and especially for the explanations of the views and principles of the Wesleyan Sabbath Committee which he put forth in his place in the House of Commons.

3. The thanks of the Conference are given to the REV. ROBERT NEWSTEAD, the Secretary, for his zealous services in this department; and the REV. ROBERT NEWSTEAD, and the REV. GEORGE SCOTT, 1st, are appointed the Secretaries for the next year.

4. The following Ministers shall constitute the Committee for the ensuing year:—

The President of the Conference,
The Secretary of the Conference,
The Secretaries of the Committee,
Rev. Thomas Jackson,
— Robert M. MacBrair, M.A.,

Rev. Peter M'Owan,
— Dr. Newton,
— William W. Stamp,
— William L. Thornton, M.A.,
— Thomas Vasey.

REPLY TO MEMORIALS, &c.

Q. XXXVI. What are the decisions of the Conference respecting the MEMORIALS and other Communications which have been addressed to it, on subjects affecting the Connexion at large.

A. 1. The Conference respectfully acknowledges the receipt of Memorials and Letters from individuals, and from Special Circuit-Meetings, legitimately constituted; one class of the said Memorials and Letters containing declarations of entire confidence in the present constitution and working of Wesleyan Methodism, and another class of them conveying to the Conference various suggestions as to alterations and (supposed) improvements in certain departments of our Connexional economy and discipline.

2. With respect to these communications, the Conference thinks it right—in justice to the case, and for the information of all parties interested in the matter—to state, *in limine*, the following particulars:—

(1.) That all these Memorials and Letters have been carefully examined, and the contents of them distinctly reported, and deliberately and anxiously considered.

(2.) That of the said Memorials and Letters nearly one-half are altogether silent as to any serious grievance or complaint, or as to the suggestion of any extensive alteration or improvement.

(3.) That of the remainder of these communications twenty-two contain proposals for organic changes, such as the Conference *cannot* entertain; and such, therefore, as no Circuit-Meeting ought to have adopted.

(4.) That from 377, out of the 443 Circuits in Great Britain, the Conference has not received any Memorial at all.

3. As the result of careful deliberation on the subjects referred to in these communications, and in the hope that the Memorialists and other Correspondents will weigh with candour, and in the end receive with satisfaction, the conclusions of the Conference thereupon, the Conference adopts the following

DECLARATORY RESOLUTIONS.

(I.) *The Conference regards itself as being bound by the principles set forth in the New Testament, and by the sacred trust transmitted to it by Mr. Wesley and his coadjutors, to maintain THE PASTORAL OFFICE in unimpaired integrity; and, consequently, bound to uphold the SPIRITUAL AUTHORITY which is appropriate to that office, and NECESSARY to the execution of the duties which Christ has made imperative on all those who sustain it.*

In accordance with this General Resolution, the Conference hereby declares,—

(1.) That, with respect to the exercise of discipline on members of Society, through the medium of Leaders' Meetings,—whilst the Conference is resolved to persevere in acting, in good faith, upon the Rules which give to an accused person the right of trial before such a Meeting, and at the same time give to that Meeting the right of judgment as to the sufficiency or insufficiency of the evidence produced to support the accusation,—and whilst, in all cases, (and especially in cases likely to affect the membership of the accused party,) it would still require its Ministers, previously to their pronouncing sentence, to take time for consideration, and to have due counsel with all proper parties,—it cannot transfer, either altogether or in part, to other hands than those of the Ministers, the ultimate determination of that sentence, without sinning against its own convictions of solemn duty, and abandoning a right essentially connected with the obligations of the pastorate with which they are entrusted.

(2.) That the proposal, made in some of the Memorials, to constitute the *Quarterly Meeting* of each Circuit a Court of *Final Appeal* against a sentence founded on the previous proceedings of a Leaders' Meeting is altogether inadmissible,—not only on the general ground already mentioned, of its being an *interference* with what belongs exclusively to the pastoral office; but also because, if adopted, it would, in its practical results, render the spiritual authority of the Pastor, *as such*, absolutely nugatory.

(II.) *The Conference solemnly resolves to stand by the CONNEXIONAL PRINCIPLE adopted by Mr. Wesley, and hitherto maintained by his successors, as being that in which—next to the grace and blessing of the Holy Spirit—the great strength of*

Wesleyan Methodism lies, for the conservation of its internal purity and order, and for the accomplishment of the great spiritual objects for which the Providence of God first brought it into existence and has hitherto sustained it.

In the maintenance of this principle the Conference declares,—

That whilst it freely leaves to the “United Societies” the general right, which they have hitherto enjoyed and exercised, of settling local matters by local authorities, so far as that may be done consistently with what is due to the general interests and laws of the Connexion, it feels itself bound to resist any attempt which may be made to establish—especially as it regards disciplinary matters—*absolute local independency*, either of single Societies, or Circuits, or Districts. On this ground, even though it were free from the objection already stated, the proposal to erect any Local Meetings, however constituted, into Courts of Final Appeal,—amounting, as it does in fact, to a proposal to break up the entire Connexion, and to exchange Wesleyan Methodism for Independency,—is not merely inadmissible, but also, on the supposition of our remaining a Connexion, altogether inconsistent and impracticable.

(III.) *The Conference further declares its unalterable resolution to uphold the authority hitherto vested in its District-Committees, as intermediate and subordinate Courts of Inquiry and Appeal, both for the Ministers and for the People ; whilst, to all parties duly respecting that authority, it still leaves unfettered the right of an ultimate appeal to the Conference.*

As to the bearing of this Resolution, in regard to the exercise of discipline on local officers and private Members of Society, the Conference very freely admits that it is not desirable that the authority of an *extraordinary* District-Committee should be interposed, except on very important occasions ; and that, in the first instance, all practicable means should be employed to preclude the necessity of such interposition. But in cases in which the result of the proceedings of a Leaders’ Meeting is seriously unsatisfactory either to the Superintendent on one hand, or to the accused party on the other, there is an obvious occasion and call for the exercise of the appellate jurisdiction of a District-Committee,—as, on the supposition of continued dissatisfaction on either side, there is, farther, an occasion for the appellate jurisdiction of the Conference. And this method of procedure necessarily grows out of the scriptural principles which the Conference has adopted as the basis of its pastoral authority, and the ecclesiastical order which is essential to us as a Connexion, and which have therefore been uniformly acted on. According to these principles and that order, in the first instance, all matters of local grievance or complaint are, if possible, settled by the ordinary local authorities of the Circuit in which they occur, under the direction of the Superintendent. The

result of this first attempt at an equitable settlement being, from any circumstances, insufficient or unsatisfactory, the aid of a Minor District-Meeting, or of the *collective Pastorate* of the District, is called in ; and, that assistance failing to give satisfaction to either of the parties, the Conference, as the *collective Pastorate* of the Connexion, inquires into the case, and pronounces the ultimate decision. Such has been, and is, our practice as a Connexion. And to this practice the Conference is resolved to adhere, not only as being necessary to the due maintenance of our Connexional discipline, but also as furnishing to the *People* (as well as to the Ministers) one of the strongest and most availing securities they can possess, against the hazard, to which Laymen as well as Ministers may often be exposed, of suffering from the undue pressure of local partialities, or local prejudice and irritation.

4. The matters referred to in the preceding Resolutions being disposed of, there still remain some other subjects which, though not perhaps equally important with those which have been mentioned, the Conference is unwilling wholly to pass over. With respect to one of them, the annual appointment of certain General Connexional Committees, the Conference has already and spontaneously acted in harmony with some of the suggestions which have been made. The Lay-Members, for instance, of the General Chapel Fund Committee, and of the General Committee of the Contingent and Children's Funds, have long been elected by *Mixed* Meetings,—that is, either at District-Meetings or at Quarterly-Meetings respectively, as the cases may severally require ; in all which Meetings the Lay-Members concerned are present and concurrent. In the General Missionary Committee, also, the Lay-Members for the ensuing year are always publicly nominated at the last Meeting of the expiring year, and their joint and deliberate nomination is that which is forwarded to the succeeding Conference. It has been cheerfully agreed that the same principle of Joint-Nomination by Mixed Committees shall be extended, as far as may be practicable, to other Funds and Departments of our Work ; regard being always paid, in such Nominations, to the claims and convenience of persons residing at or near to the Town in which the coming Conference will probably be held, and at which such Committees will have to assemble. With regard to many of the other points referred to in the Memorials, the suggestions are so various and conflicting, that it would be difficult to form any tolerable estimate of what should be regarded as the *prevailing* opinion amongst the Memorialists themselves ; and still more difficult to establish ground for the persuasion, that the things suggested are, as to the Connexion at large, very generally, or even very extensively, desired. At all events, it will surely be allowed by the Memorialists, that not any of the points

which may be admitted to be open for discussion, nor all of them together, are of sufficient importance, as to any practical *good* which the accomplishment of them would be likely to achieve in Methodism, to justify their being made an occasion of general debate, or a subject of serious and urgent demand. Much less are they such as to justify, in the slightest degree, the unholy agitation and strife of which designing or misguided parties have made them the occasion. The law of *peace* and *godly order* is infinitely more important than any of the points on which some of the Memorialists would appear to be anxious. Besides, the most important of the changes suggested by the Memorialists are not now for the first time brought under notice, but have been repeatedly discussed; particularly at one of the most numerous meetings of Ministers and Laymen ever convened on the affairs of the Connexion,—namely, that held at Sheffield immediately before the Conference of 1835,—which unanimously pronounced a judgment adverse to such proposals, and to the principles upon which they appear to rest. And, under all the circumstances of the present case, there seems to be no sufficient reason for disturbing the general conclusions in which that Meeting so cordially concurred.

If there be any other points in the Memorials which have not yet been so discussed, considered, and settled, they will be regarded by the Conference as being still open for consideration,—it being, however, distinctly understood that they are not to be made in the mean time a pretext for general agitation. And whatever may be found in them likely to accomplish any important or useful object, will be readily adopted. Meanwhile, the Conference takes occasion, very respectfully and affectionately, to suggest to the Memorialists a recollection of the higher privileges and duties to which they are called, in connexion with the system of Wesleyan Methodism; and earnestly entreats them hereafter to “follow after the things which make for peace, and things wherewith one may edify another.”

RECENT AGITATIONS.

Q. XXXVII. What is the judgment of the Conference with respect to the AGITATION which, during the past year, has been carried on by certain parties, under the pretext of obtaining a “Reform” in the constitution and administration of Wesleyan Methodism?

A. 1. The Conference is constrained by a strong sense of duty to express its solemn condemnation of the principles and plans on which that Agitation has proceeded; as having been founded, in the first instance, on utterly UNSCRIPTURAL, and therefore false, views of the true character and claims of the Christian ministry in

general, and especially on grossly-distorted views of the constitution and practical working of our ecclesiastical system; as having been carried on in gross violation, not only of the laws of our Connexion, but also of the laws of the New Testament; as having been, in many instances, characterized, on the part of its public promoters, by a malignity of feeling and a recklessness of action, indicative of a total disregard of truth as well as of charity; and as having been, in its practical results, fraught with incalculable spiritual mischief to the interests, not only of our own Connexion, but of Christianity at large.

2. The Conference expresses its deep regret that so many persons, in various places, should have allowed themselves to be so far moved, as, during the course of this Agitation, they appear to have been, from their steadfastness in charity as well as in their loyalty to Methodism; but it is willing to indulge the hope, that a calm and prayerful consideration of the course of feeling, and perhaps of action too, into which they have unhappily been drawn, will, by God's blessing, have the effect of recovering them to a happier and more healthful state of mind.

3. The Conference further expresses its determination, on behalf of the Connexion generally, and especially on behalf of its peaceable and loyal members, to enforce the discipline of the Connexion on all such as, *after due exhortation and warning*, shall unhappily persist in actively promoting or abetting the mischief and strife of which the Conference, and the Connexion at large, have so much reason to complain.

4. Considering the obvious similarity between the spirit and object of the present Agitation and those which characterized the Agitation of 1835, the Conference determines to publish, *mutatis mutandis*, the following extract from a document on the subject of organized and confederated Agitations, printed in the Minutes of 1835,—as being clearly applicable to existing circumstances:—

“It is therefore hereby declared to be the unanimous judgment of the Conference, That any person who, instead of *peaceably retiring* from our Connexion, if he decidedly disapprove of our system either of doctrine or discipline, and cannot conscientiously even *acquiesce* in them, endeavours to retain and to employ his position among us for the purposes of opposition and strife,—or who continues, after due admonition, to be a member of any confederacy formed for the object of systematic agitation,—is guilty of a flagrant transgression of that *morality of the New Testament*, the observance of which was a principal condition of his admission into our Society, and must be considered to have justly forfeited his claim to the privileges of our religious fellowship. In applying to particular cases this righteous general rule, the Conference exhorts all the Superintendents to exercise, in connexion with a holy firmness, the moderation and mercy of the Gospel; bearing long, and

dealing tenderly, though faithfully, with the weak, the ill-informed, and the misled : while they do not shrink from the effectual execution of necessary Christian discipline on those who by overt acts of hostility and disturbance identify themselves as the leaders, or open partisans, of disaffection and faction. The sound and satisfied majority of our Societies—a majority happily so immense as to render all comparative calculations unnecessary—have a just claim on us for protection in the quiet enjoyment of their religious privileges ; a claim which some of them have most forcibly urged, and which it is our bounden duty to meet with a discreet but decisive enforcement of our discipline on those whom milder methods shall fail to reclaim from their course of disturbance and mischief.”

5. In conclusion, while the Conference renews its determination to maintain intact the great principles of its Connexional union, its members, individually and collectively, would solemnly renew the consecration of themselves to the service of their Great Master, for the sake of whose name that union exists, and to whose honour all its institutions are dedicated. They once more resolve to cherish and maintain that spirit in which alone the Christian ministry can be successfully discharged ; to give themselves wholly to the things of God ; to cultivate a compassionate concern for the souls of men, even in the administration of needful discipline, combining tenderness with fidelity ; and, in times of difficulty and distraction, to enforce, both by precept and example, the duty of following “peace with all men, and holiness, without which no man shall see the Lord.”

CASE OF DISCIPLINE.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE CONFERENCE IN THE CASE OF THE REV. JAMES BROMLEY.

The Report of a Special Meeting of the Bath District Committee was read, from which it appeared,—

I. That Mr. Bromley had been summoned to attend that Meeting to answer certain charges affecting his ministerial character ; namely,—

1. “That he had, by certain recent proceedings, violated the great principle of our Connexional union ; namely, that when any question has been discussed and decided by the Conference, the minority shall quietly submit to the majority, or peaceably retire from the Body.

2. “That he had made himself the public apologist of, and had openly abetted, the slanderers of his brother-Ministers.

3. “That he had himself grossly aspersed the public acts and principles of his ministerial Brethren.

4. “That he had openly and distinctly broken the pledges

given by himself to the last Conference,—pledges, in consideration of which the judicial proceedings in his case were arrested.”

II. The Report of the Special District-Meeting further showed,—

1. That Mr. Bromley, to whom a copy of the above charges had been sent, with due notice of the Meeting aforesaid, refused to attend, and sent in a formal written protest, in which he denied the jurisdiction of the District-Meeting in his case, and *demand*ed to be tried by a Mixed Meeting,—a claim which the District-Meeting held to be inadmissible, because the circumstances for which alone that form of trial was provided did not exist in Mr. Bromley's case. He declared that he should “regard any sentence of approval or justification on the one hand, or of censure or suspension on the other, by any District-Committee constituted otherwise than according to this demand, as wholly illegal and unjust, as a contravention of the fundamental laws of our Body, and as a sentence to be treated (by him) as entirely null and void.”

2. That Mr. Bromley, having contumaciously refused to attend the Special District-Meeting, was consequently suspended from the exercise of his ministerial duties until the Conference; the charges having been first duly inquired into and clearly substantiated. The evidence, the findings, and the sentence, are contained in the following extract from the Minutes of the Special District-Meeting; namely,—

“The Meeting proceeded to hear the charges, and the evidence adduced in support of them, as supplied from the published papers of Mr. Bromley, and from his correspondence with the President during the last Conference.

“The following passages are extracts from that correspondence [bearing especially on the *fourth* of the charges above recited]:—

“*Ashton-under-Lyne, August 12th, 1849.*

“REV. AND DEAR SIR,

“HAPPY should I be, should anything advanced in the Committee have impressed the respectable men composing it with the necessity for repealing the rule in question; but should this not be the case, and should the Conference still retain in its statute-book this rule, I now repeat what I promised in the Committee, that I will cease to *agitate* the subject; retaining, however, the following privileges as not surrendered by this promise:—

“1. That should the Conference, at any future period, call me to its counsels, with a view to the repeal or alteration of this rule, nothing I now say shall be understood as disqualifying me for such deliberation. And,

“2. That should any *instant*er judicial proceedings—proceedings without notice, without warning—take place in any District-Meeting, or Conference, of which I am a member, I shall be at liberty, pursuant to the instructions given in ‘Grindrod's Digest,’ to institute stringent inquiries as to the reasons for a departure, in that particular case, from our accustomed judicial procedure.

“These limitations to the word ‘agitate’ I understand the Committee cordially to approve.

"I think it due to myself to add, that this *bond fide* pledge is given under the expectation and confidence that I be returned to the peaceful duties of the ministry, with my *status* in the body unimpaired.

"*Chester-Place, Ashton-under-Lyne, August 14th, 1849.*

"DEAR MR. PRESIDENT,

"I BEG to acknowledge your communication, announcing the decision of the Conference in certain proceedings in which I have unhappily been involved.

"I think the decision wise and good, and receive it as another and singular example of that care of Heaven which began its attentions with my being, which has never tired,—and never will!

"I was so reduced on Monday, as not to be able to leave Mr. Metcalf's. I am better to-day. To-morrow I leave for Bath; there, in the zealous prosecution of my ministerial duties, to evince that the confidence yet reposed in me is not misplaced.

"I am, dear Mr. President,

"Faithfully and affectionately yours,

"JAMES BROMLEY.

"The Meeting regarded all the charges as fully substantiated; but previously to recording its judgment in the case, they appointed a deputation, consisting of Messrs. Goodwin, Jennings, Smeeth, and Harvard, to wait upon Mr. Bromley, to ascertain whether he might yet be prevailed upon to attend; and, they having reported that Mr. Bromley's determination was unaltered, the Meeting came unanimously to the following Resolutions:—

"1. That by the publication in one of the journals of this city of certain papers, in which Mr. Bromley has denounced in strong and extremely offensive terms some portion of our laws,—has most injuriously misrepresented certain disciplinary acts of the late Conference,—and addressed appeals to the Ministers and Societies of Methodism tending to excite hostility against the general administration and constituted authorities of the Body; Mr. Bromley, has plainly violated the great principle of our Connexional union, which requires every Minister, so long as he is in connexion with the Conference, quietly to submit to its decisions.

"2. That Mr. Bromley, while bearing the character of a Wesleyan Minister, has countenanced the unrighteous agitation which is now carried on in our Connexion, thereby promoting jealousy, discord, and strife in our Societies, confirming the prejudices and strengthening the hands of the enemies of Methodism in general.

"3. That Mr. Bromley has been guilty of casting the grossest aspersions upon the public acts and principles of his brother Ministers,—aspersions calculated to alienate from them the affection and confidence of the people of their charge.

"4. That by agitating through the press the question of the Declaratory Resolutions of 1835, Mr. Bromley has plainly violated his promise solemnly made to the last Conference, in the faith of which the Conference continued to him the functions and responsibilities of a Wesleyan Minister.

“ 5. That, taking into consideration the grave character of the delinquencies which have been proved against Mr. Bromley, together with his contumacious refusal to attend the District-Committee, and his opposition to its authority, this Meeting feels itself necessitated to come to the painful conclusion, that Mr. Bromley be suspended from the exercise of his ministerial duties until the Conference; and he is hereby accordingly suspended.

“ Mr. Bromley’s case having been disposed of, the following Resolutions were unanimously adopted :—

“ 1. That this Meeting tenders its sincere sympathies to its esteemed Chairman, the Rev. John Rigg, in the painfully trying circumstances in which he has been placed, and expresses its high opinion as to the prudence, moderation, and kindness which he has displayed in this distressing affair; and further, this Meeting cannot separate without expressing its earnest hope that the present agitations which are occupying the attention of our beloved people may be speedily brought to a close, so that they may be led to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.

“ 2. That this Meeting tenders its heartfelt thanks to the Rev. Thomas Jackson, the President of the Conference, for his great kindness in visiting them upon this painful occasion, and for the valuable help and counsel which he has afforded them.”

III. Mr. Bromley’s notice of Appeal, delivered at the Regular Annual Meeting of the Bath District-Committee, and his Letter to the late President,—repeating his notice of Appeal,—were also read.

IV. The Conference thereupon decided,—

That, as Mr. Bromley refused to attend the Special Meeting of the Bath District-Committee, when legally convened on his case, on Wednesday and Thursday, the 13th and 14th of February last; and as, since the time when that Special Meeting was held, he has *avowedly* “treated” the sentence of suspension by that Meeting “with utter disregard;” and—contrary to the promise which he expressly made to the last Conference, not only by word of mouth, but also in letters addressed to the late President—has pursued a course adverse to the peace of the Connexion, and directly tending to subserve the ends of divisive agitation; and as Mr. Bromley’s original notice of Appeal entirely passed by the constitutional jurisdiction of the District-Committee at its Annual Meeting, Mr. Bromley has forfeited all right of Appeal to the Conference; and that the Appeal which he *now* makes cannot be entertained.

A Committee was afterwards appointed to examine the records of the case, and to advise the Conference respecting any disciplinary proceedings which the character of the facts established against Mr. Bromley might appear to require.

This Committee brought in the following Report :—

“ The Minutes of the Special District-Meeting, summoned on the case of Mr. Bromley, were read to the Committee, and carefully considered.

“ And the following Resolutions were unanimously adopted :—

“ 1. That the facts which were adduced in evidence before the Special District-Meeting, and substantiated beyond the possibility of contradiction by letters from Mr. Bromley to the President of the last Conference,* and by publications bearing his signature, were, in the judgment of the Committee, such as amply to support the findings, and justify the sentence, of that Meeting.

“ 2. That, independently of the production of any criminating evidence, Mr. Bromley having refused to take his trial before the Special District-Meeting, that Meeting was laid under the necessity of pronouncing the said sentence, by the following Resolution of the Conference of 1835, declaratory of the long-established usage of the Connexion; namely,—

“ ‘ That any Preacher who refuses to submit to the friendly examination of the Chairman (of a District) and of other Brethren, or to take his trial, regularly and formally, before the Preachers, either of an ordinary or of a Special District-Committee, when duly required so to do, shall be considered as, *ipso facto*, incurring the sentence of suspension until the ensuing Conference.’

“ 3. That, on these grounds, the Committee recommends to the Conference, that the Report of the proceedings of the Special District-Meeting be received and confirmed.

“ 4. That, previously to any definite recommendation, on the part of this Committee, as to ulterior disciplinary proceedings in the case, the Conference be requested to authorise and direct the Committee to hear anything which Mr. Bromley may have to say, in the way of extenuation, apology, or retractation.”

This Report of the Committee having been received and confirmed by the Conference, a letter was addressed to Mr. Bromley, in pursuance of the *fourth* Resolution, inviting him to meet that Committee, for the purpose therein mentioned. Mr. Bromley did not accept the invitation, but, instead of meeting the Committee, addressed to the President and to the Committee the following Letter :—

(Copy of Mr. Bromley's Letter from the original Manuscript.)

TO THE WESLEYAN CONFERENCE NOW ASSEMBLED.

MEN AND BRETHREN,

I HAVE nothing to say in “ extenuation, apology, or retractation.” IN DEFENCE, I have a great deal to say, which you, disregarding all the claims of justice, and all the dictates of humanity, have refused to hear!

What unintelligent and hideous domination is this, which has “ *condemned me unheard*,” and then asks me for “ extenuation, apology, or retractation?”

* See Mr. Bromley's letters, pp. 474, 475.

I denounce the District-Meeting which assembled in Bath on Wednesday, February 13th last, as an illegal assembly, and the sentence of suspension which it passed upon me as "*intensely illegal*." Its meeting and its sentence were an immediate contravention of the fifth Article under the head "Conference Discipline" in the Articles of Pacification; which Article enacts expressly, "That no Preacher shall be suspended or removed from his Circuit by ANY District-Committee, except he has the *PRIVILEGE* of the trial before-mentioned;" that is, a trial by a *mixed* court, which privilege I claimed.

The expurgation, *ex officio*; the propounding of questions for the purpose of self-crimination or of self-exculpation, *under penalty*; the production, in Conferences, District-Meetings, or any other courts, of charges in the form of interrogatories; the production of those charges without previous personal complaint and social expostulation, as authorised by the law at page 112 of the Minutes for 1835, and as now maintained and practised by the Conference; I religiously regard as an infidel and impudent rejection of the authority of the Son of God! and that a more obvious contravention of our standard writings could not be. And, furthermore, I seriously and prayerfully believe that the men who originated and who maintain this *innovation* upon our ancient discipline, are, in this part of their conduct, "*enemies of the cross of Christ*."

I am of opinion that if the Conference, instead of seeking its own aggrandisement and power, would seek the glory of God and the good of His people, it would, with the least possible delay, repeal the execrable enactment at page 112 of the Minutes for 1835, and find some other remedy for the evils which threaten its existence, than wide-spread, untiring, and unrelenting *excision*!

The evidence of my sincerity in the testimony I thus bear, is, my willingness to suffer any penalty the Conference has it in its power to inflict, rather than pollute my conscience and dishonour my name by tendering "extenuation, apology, or retractation" at a time and in a case where the ceaseless, heartless injury and oppression I have so long, in connexion with this subject, endured, call for mingled astonishment, indignation, and grief!

I am, Men and Brethren,
Your faithful and affectionate,
but deeply-injured, Brother,
JAMES BROMLEY.

Palatine-House, Stoke-Newington,
London, August 15th, 1835. [For 1850, obviously a mistake.]

"This Letter having been read to the Committee, on its re-assembling, all the circumstances were carefully reviewed: and, on the whole case, considering,

"1. That, by contumaciously denying, and refusing to submit to, the jurisdiction of the Special District-Meeting, (a jurisdiction which, in 1835, he expressly and solemnly acknowledged, and bound himself for the future to respect and maintain,*) and by persisting in his claim to be tried by another kind of Meeting, to

* The following extract from the Conference Journal of 1835 shows what were the engagements of Mr. Bromley:—

"JAMES BROMLEY.—Complaints from various quarters having been preferred against Mr. Bromley, in reference to numerous alleged instances of his rash and injurious connexion, by words and acts, with the agitations of the *past* year; after a long and careful inquiry, the following facts appear to the Conference either as admitted or proved by sufficient evidence; namely,—His refusal of help to the Missionary cause in his own Circuit for a whole year, *on* the ground, too, of his personal disapprobation of an appointment which the previous Conference had deliberately made, thus indirectly abetting the efforts

which in the circumstances of his case he was not entitled,* Mr. Bromley has been guilty of a direct and open defiance of the settled discipline of the Connexion:

“2. That he has deliberately, and in repeated instances, violated the distinct and solemn pledges which he gave to the last Conference,—by continuing to agitate publicly questions in regard to certain points of Connexional discipline, on which those pledges

of the agitators to ‘stop the supplies:’ his improper and unconstitutional conduct in going, without the previous consent of the Manchester District-Committee, to its Special Meeting on Dr. Warren’s case, with the intention of acting as his Counsel: his violent and mischievous printed letter to Mr. Newton, in which he did not confine himself to *self-defence*, but introduced general matters of a highly inflammatory and injurious tendency: his proceedings in the Leaders’-Meeting and Quarterly-Meeting of the York Circuit, in a manner highly inconsistent with his duty as a Methodist Preacher, and especially with the duty of a Helper: his having acted in such a manner as to give encouragement, to a considerable extent, to the proceedings of Dr. Warren and the Grand Central Association: his tacitly allowing members of the York Society and various other persons to take up, as partisans, what they considered *his* cause, and apparently to resist the properly-constituted authorities of that Circuit: the occasional indiscretion of his conversations in certain companies, and the violence of some of his observations on the matters in dispute during the year.

“In these instances the Conference judges that the conduct of Mr. Bromley has been highly rash and culpable, and that such conduct is calculated to promote discord and disaffection among our people, and to injure the work of God. The Conference has, however, heard, with a considerable degree of satisfaction, Mr. Bromley’s acknowledgment of misconduct and imprudence, his avowal of altered opinions and feelings in reference to some of the above transactions, and his solemn promise that, in future, his Brethren shall not have cause to distrust or censure him. Yet the Conference further requires, that Mr. Bromley shall engage that he will abstain from all acts and expressions of opposition to the Conference, or to the constitution of our community; that he will cordially unite with us in a firm and faithful support of the decisions of the Conference and the existing system of Methodism; that he will refrain from such intercourse with the members of the Grand Central Association as might be fairly construed by our people into a want of unreserved and cordial attachment to the principles, institutions, and interests of the Connexion; and that he do now explicitly declare, in the presence of the Conference, his unhesitating recognition not only of the supreme jurisdiction of the Conference over all the Preachers in connexion with it, but also the authority of District-Committees of Preachers to call any Preacher to account in the intervals of the Conference, and to decide upon his case until the next meeting of that body. It is resolved finally, that, *on Mr. Bromley’s entering into these engagements*, the Conference will rejoice to continue him among us as a fellow-labourer; that these decisions on his case be read to Mr. Bromley in his place in the Conference, accompanied by such friendly advice and counsel as the President may deem it suitable to administer.

“Upon these resolutions having been read to Mr. Bromley in his place in the Conference, *he entered into the required engagements* in a manner perfectly satisfactory to the Conference.”

* See the Judgment of the Vice-Chancellor and of the Lord Chancellor, as printed in Grindrod’s “Compendium,” pp. 371—409; and particularly the following passages from the judgment of Lord Chancellor Lyndhurst, pp. 401, 407:—“No District-Committee has the power of giving the Preacher the

bound him to be silent ; and has greatly aggravated his unfaithfulness in this respect, both before and since the Special District-Meeting, by the opprobrious and injurious terms which he has employed to designate some of the established principles and Rules of the Connexion, and the proceedings of the Conference :

“ 3. That he has altogether declined the opportunity afforded to him by the Conference, of meeting this Committee, for the purpose of stating anything which he might have to say, by way of extenuation, apology, or retraction :

“ And finally,

“ 4. Considering the tone and spirit of the Letter, in which Mr. Bromley has expressed to the President and the Committee his determination to decline such Meeting,—the anti-Wesleyan principles and views which that letter avows,—and the offensive and hostile phraseology in which some of those principles and views are expressed :

“ The Committee is unanimously of opinion,

“ That neither the ends of justice, nor the claims of brotherly kindness, require any further delay in the disciplinary procedure of the Conference ; and that Mr. Bromley’s ministerial connexion with the Conference must now, of necessity, be terminated.”

The above Report of the Committee having been received and considered by the Conference, it was, with only two dissentients, resolved,—

That the Report of the Committee be adopted and confirmed.

It was then officially declared from the Chair, that James Bromley is no longer a member of our Body.

DECLARATION OF WESLEYAN MINISTERS.

Q. XXXVIII. What is the judgment of the Conference respecting the “ DECLARATION OF WESLEYAN MINISTERS ” which was issued by the late President, December 26th, 1849 ?

A. 1. The Conference cordially approves of the “ Declaration,” on the grounds expressed in the introductory letter of the late President : “ That a distinct and explicit avowal of our sentiments on the points which it embodies [was] imperatively called for at

benefit of the trial before-mentioned. There is no authority for that purpose : they have no power to convene this mixed tribunal : there are no regulations authorising them to do so ; and if it was meant that the District-Committee should have had such a power, there is no doubt, I apprehend, it would have been distinctly provided for.” “ It does appear to me, therefore, that the case is very strong, and very clear, with respect to the power of the District-Committee ; and that the District-Committee still, notwithstanding the Act of Pacification, have a right, have authority, to suspend or to remove a Preacher, in all cases, except in those particular cases mentioned in the Act of Pacification ; where the Trustees and the other parties therein-mentioned choose to interfere. I think, in all other cases, they have authority to suspend or to remove.”

[the] time, when strenuous attempts [were] made, by means of the press and of public meetings, under the name of Methodist Reform, to engage our Societies in schemes which, if carried into effect, would subvert the essential principles of our constitution as a religious community."

2. The Conference directs that a copy of the "Declaration," with the Signatures, be inserted in the Appendix to the printed Minutes. (See "Appendix," pp. 521—528.)

LONDON SPECIAL DISTRICT-MEETING.

Q. XXXIX. What is the judgment of the Conference with respect to the SPECIAL DISTRICT-MEETING which was held in the months of March, April, and May last, for the purpose of allaying certain agitations IN THE THIRD LONDON CIRCUIT?

A. The Conference receives and confirms the Minutes of the above-named Special District-Meeting; it considers the measures which that Meeting adopted to be strictly in accordance with the Rules and Usages of the Connexion, and to have been rendered necessary by the circumstances of the case; and it resolves that the aforesaid Minutes be printed, and annexed as an Appendix to the volume of the Conference Minutes for this year. (See "Appendix," pp. 529—538.)

MISCELLANEOUS RESOLUTIONS.

1. *Thanks to the late President and to the Secretary.* Resolved unanimously, (1.) That the cordial thanks of the Conference be affectionately presented to the late President, the REV. THOMAS JACKSON, for the eminently able, judicious, and faithful manner in which he has fulfilled his important duties, in circumstances of remarkable difficulty and exigency, during the sittings of the late Conference, and to the close of his year of office; and that, in connexion with this vote, the Conference desires to record its devout gratitude to Almighty God for the grace vouchsafed to His servant, for the special unction which attended the many laborious and seasonable services rendered by him on various occasions, and for the bright example his conduct has uniformly exhibited of the spirit and deportment which every Wesleyan Minister, whether in or out of office, should consistently maintain.

(2.) That the cordial thanks of the Conference be affectionately presented to the REV. JOHN HANNAH, D.D., for his very able, faithful, and highly acceptable services during the last year, as the Secretary of the Conference.

2. *Official Sermon and Charge.* Resolved unanimously, (1.) That the cordial and affectionate thanks of the Conference be presented to the late President, the REV. THOMAS JACKSON, for

11. *Annual Meetings of the Trustees of the two Institution-Houses*, Tuesday, July 29th, at three and four P.M.

12. *Theological Institution General Committee*, (p. 460,) Tuesday, July 29th, at five P.M.

N.B. 1. The Secretaries of the several Funds are directed to meet in Newcastle-upon-Tyne, on Wednesday, July 23d, for the purpose of preparing for their respective Committees the accounts of their several departments.

2. The Rev. Isaac Keeling, the Rev. John Farrar, and the Rev. William Barton, our Sub-Secretaries, are directed to attend at the same time, for the purpose of compiling from the District-Minutes various Lists, &c., which will facilitate the business of the Committees, and of the subsequent Conference.

3. The Chairmen of Districts are required to bring, or send, *in time for the meeting of the Secretaries of the several Funds*, on Wednesday, July 23d, perfect copies of the District-Minutes, and an account of the Numbers in Society in the several Circuits of their Districts, as taken at the March Visitation in 1851.

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THE following are the usual and regular Collections which are to be made in all our Circuits during the ensuing year ; viz.,—

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3. The Annual Subscriptions, due January 1st, and occasional Donations, for the Wesleyan Theological Institution, are to be solicited in every Circuit in the first or second week of January, 1851 ; and *forthwith* remitted to the Rev. John Farrar, at the *Wesleyan Theological Institution, Richmond, Surrey*.

4. The Annual Private Subscriptions and Public Collections for the United Chapel and Wesleyan-Education General Fund are to be made in the month of February, 1851 ; and the whole

necessary to repeat the statement, That it never was intended that the names of all those who are on trial should be laid before a Leaders' Meeting for distinct and formal discussion; but solely this, That if there be, in the opinion of a Leader, any reasonable objection to the character and conduct of any person who is on trial, such objection may be stated by him; and that, if the validity of the objection be established to the satisfaction of the Meeting, a Member's Ticket shall not be given to the person, so objected to, at that Quarterly Visitation.

4. *Schedules and Circulars for Connexional Business.* As it is obviously desirable that the Committees appointed by the Conference to manage the several departments of the business of the Connexion, in the intervals of its session, should be furnished with as much statistical information as possible on the subjects of the matters of business severally confided to their care, the Conference authorises them, through their appointed officers, to send, when they deem it expedient, suitable Circulars and Schedules to the Superintendents or to the Chairmen of Districts, as the case may require; and directs the Superintendents and Chairmen duly to return such Schedules properly filled up.

5. *Reading of the Pastoral Address in Society-Meetings.* The Superintendents are directed to appoint a Special Society-Meeting to be held, at each principal Chapel in their Circuits, either in the afternoon of the Lord's day, or on some convenient evening of the week, for the purpose of having the Pastoral Address read to the Society, and made the subject of suitable remarks and exhortations.

6. In order to bring the state and progress of the work of God in every Circuit distinctly and regularly under the examination of the District-Meetings, copies of the *Printed Circuit-Schedules*, duly filled up, shall be annually produced, examined, and considered. The Chairmen of Districts are made responsible for the execution of this order; and shall bring such Circuit-Schedules with them to the Conference, that they may be forthcoming, if called for. (See also Minutes for 1831, Q. xxv., Vol. VII., p. 67.)

7. *Minor District-Meetings.* The following addition to the Rule of 1793, on the Constitution of Minor District-Committees, is unanimously adopted by the Conference; viz.,—

That, in any case in which the Chairman of a District may deem it necessary to appoint a Minor District-Committee, should either party refuse or decline to choose two Ministers to act as members thereof, the Chairman is empowered and directed to nominate them, so that the number required by rule may be made up.

8. *Candidates for Admission on Trial.* Those Preachers who are recommended for admission on Trial shall preach in the presence of at least three of the Ministers of the District-Committee, (at or about the time of its Annual Meeting in May,) to

be selected by the Chairman, (exclusively of the Superintendents by whom the Candidates respectively are proposed,) and a special report of their Sermons shall be made in the District-Meeting, and immediately forwarded in writing to the London Committee of Examination.

9. *District-Meetings of 1851.* It is resolved, that all the regular Annual Meetings of the several District-Committees shall be held between the 18th and 25th of May, 1851, with the exception of the Lincoln, the North Wales, and the Second South Wales.

10. *Preachers on Trial to have proper opportunities for receiving the Lord's Supper.* The Conference having been informed that in several Circuits the Preachers on Trial have very rarely an opportunity for receiving the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper, resolves that, in compliance with a former injunction on this subject, the Superintendents be required to make the necessary arrangements in their Circuit-Plans, for securing to their junior Colleagues proper facilities for partaking of this holy Sacrament.

11. *District-Minutes.* The Chairmen of Districts are peremptorily required to procure *three* complete copies of the Minutes of the several Annual and other Meetings of the District-Committees, duly signed by the Chairman and Secretary. One of these copies shall be inserted in the District-Records; a second shall be reserved for the use of the Chairman and Financial Secretary at the Conference; and a third shall be delivered to the Sub-Secretaries, on the Wednesday preceding the Conference, and by them to the President during the first week of each Conference, to be preserved under his direction, as a document appertaining to the Connexion. The several copies of the last class shall be written on foolscap paper, that they may be annually bound together in one volume.

12. The Superintendents of those Circuits in which the Conference may from year to year assemble, shall, with the previous approbation of the President, (as already required by rule,) complete and print, not later than the 15th day of June in each year, a Plan of the order of preaching in the principal chapels during the session of the Conference; and shall also, on or before the above date, inform every person whom they may have appointed to preach in those chapels, of the time and place of such appointment. And in order that the Plan thus prepared may not be violated, to the disappointment of our friends, and to the great inconvenience of other parties concerned, no Minister who attends the Conference shall be at liberty to make an engagement to preach in any other Circuit, either on the Sabbath, or on any other day, during the period appointed for the meeting of the Conference, or of its various Preparatory Committees, at the time for which his name shall be inserted on the Conference Plan.

13. The Chairmen of Districts are enjoined to make particular inquiries at their Annual Meetings in reference to all the points of Discipline specified in the first Article of the Answer to Q. xxviii., in our Minutes of 1825.

CONFERENCE OF 1851.

Q. XL. When and where shall our NEXT CONFERENCE be held?

A. In Newcastle-upon-Tyne, commencing on Wednesday, July 30th, 1851, at Nine o'clock, A.M.

Signed in behalf and by order of the Conference,

JOHN BEECHAM, D.D., *President*,
JOHN HANNAH, D.D., *Secretary*.

London, August 20th, 1850.

The PRESIDENT's address is, 11, *Lloyd-Square, Pentonville, London*; and the SECRETARY's, *Didsbury, near Manchester*.

ORDER OF COMMITTEES FOR 1851.

The COMMITTEES preparatory to the next Conference are appointed to meet in Newcastle-upon-Tyne, as follows;—(subject, however, to any change of the particular order, days, or hours, here specified, which the PRESIDENT, giving due notice to the parties concerned, may find it expedient to make;) viz.,—

1. *Stationing Committee*, Friday, July 18th, at nine A.M.
2. *Kingswood and Woodhouse-Grove Schools' Committee*, (p. 434,) Wednesday, July 23d, at five P.M.
3. *Contingent Fund and Children's Fund Committee*, (p. 448,) Thursday, July 24th, at nine A.M. and five P.M.
4. *Chapel Affairs, including Chapel-Fund, Chapel-Relief Fund, and Chapel-Building Committees*, (pp. 439, 440, 441,) Friday, July 25th, at nine A.M.
5. *Book Committee*, (p. 438,) Friday, July 25th, at five P.M.
6. *Auxiliary Fund Committee*, (p. 454,) Saturday, July 26th, at nine A.M.
7. *The Sabbath Committee*, (p. 467,) Saturday, July 26th, at three P.M.
8. *The Catechumen Committee*, (p. 466,) Saturday, July 26th, at five P.M.
9. *General Education Committee*, (p. 465,) Monday, July 28th, at nine A.M. and five P.M.
10. *Special Missionary Committee of Review*, (p. 433,) Tuesday, July 29th, at nine A.M.

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amount should be immediately remitted to Messrs. Marriott and Wood, 7, *Upper Gower-Street, Gordon-Square, London*, who will pay the Moiety thereof, as now required by the recent Rule, to the Treasurers of the Education-Fund.

5. The Yearly Collection in all the Classes is to be made, as usual, at the March Visitation, and the money to be paid at the District-Meetings in May.

6. The Private Subscriptions for the Mission-Fund are to be received in all our Circuits, either weekly, monthly, quarterly, or annually, as is most convenient to the Subscribers. The annual Public Collections for that Fund are to be made in all our chapels, and other preaching-places, at the time of the Anniversaries of the several Auxiliary or Branch Societies; or, where no Public Meetings of that kind are held, in the month of May. The money so raised must be remitted *through the hands of the District-Treasurers*, to Thomas Farmer, Esq., and the Rev. John Scott, the General Treasurers, whose address is, *Wesleyan Centenary Hall, Bishopsgate-Street within, London*.

7. The Private Subscriptions for the Auxiliary Worn-out Ministers' and Widows' Fund are to be solicited in the month of May, 1851, and a list of Subscriptions sent to the Secretary, not later than the 30th of June. (See Q. xxviii., p. 457, of these Minutes.) The money is to be paid on or before the first day of the Conference to the Financial Secretary of the District, and by him to Messrs. Chappell and Scott, the Treasurers.

8. The Special Collection in behalf of the New Kingswood School is to be made in all our chapels and preaching-places not later than the second Sunday in June, 1851; and the amount immediately transmitted to Messrs. Vanner and Jobson, 2, *Thurlow-Place, Hackney-Road, London*. (See Q. xiii., p. 437, of these Minutes.)

9. The Collection in aid of the Contingent Fund, for the support and spread of the Gospel in *Great Britain and Ireland*, is to be made in all our chapels and preaching-places, *not later than the second Sunday in July, 1851*; and the money is to be paid, *on or before the first day of the Conference*, to the Financial Secretaries of each District respectively, and by them to the Treasurers of the Contingent Fund, Messrs. Vickers and Cusworth.

ADDRESS OF THE CONFERENCE TO THE QUEEN.

TO THE QUEEN'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR MAJESTY,

WE, Your Majesty's dutiful subjects, Ministers of the Gospel in the Connexion established by the late Rev. John Wesley, A.M.,

being now met in our Annual Assembly, beg to approach the Throne with sentiments of the most affectionate loyalty; and, in behalf of our United Societies throughout the empire, to offer to Your Majesty, and to His Royal Highness the Prince-Consort, our hearty congratulations on the recent addition of a Prince to the Royal Family.

While humbly conveying to Your Majesty the assurance of our sincere prayers that the Royal Infant may be long preserved in health, honour, and happiness, and finally crowned with the infinitely higher blessings of the Heavenly Kingdom, we rejoice in this opportunity of repeating the expression of our unwavering attachment to Your Majesty's illustrious House, and of our devout hope that the Divine blessing will continually descend on Your Majesty's Family and Government.

With the deepest feelings of veneration and affection,—and anew commending Your Majesty, and all within the Royal circle, to the everlasting favour of the King of kings,—

We are, in the name of the Wesleyan-Methodist Conference,
Your Majesty's faithful and devoted subjects and servants,

JOHN BEECHAM, D.D., *President*,
JOHN HANNAH, D.D., *Secretary*.

City-Road Chapel, London, July 31st, 1850.

THE ANSWER.

*From the Right Hon. Sir George Grey, Bart., M.P., Secretary
of State for the Home Department.*

“ Whitehall, August 14th, 1850.

“ GENTLEMEN,

“ I HAVE had the honour to lay before the Queen the loyal and dutiful Address of the Wesleyan Ministers, met in their Annual Assembly, which you placed in my hands.

“ And I have the satisfaction to inform you, that Her Majesty was pleased to receive the same very graciously.

“ I am,

“ Gentlemen,

“ Your obedient Servant,

“ G. GREY.”

*“ REV. JOHN BEECHAM, D.D.,
REV. JOHN HANNAH, D.D.,
City-Road Chapel.”*

THE ANNUAL ADDRESS OF THE CONFERENCE TO THE METHODIST SOCIETIES.

DEARLY BELOVED BRETHREN,

THE Address which we presented to you on the occasion of our last Annual Meeting opened with a grateful acknowledgment of prosperity. Signs of prosperity are now also granted to us. Whether we advert to the increase of numbers in our Societies, to the progress of spiritual religion in different places, or to the augmented facilities which are provided for the wider diffusion of experimental and practical Christianity, we find abundant cause, on a review of the year which has just closed, to offer afresh our tribute of thanksgiving to Almighty God, the Father of lights and of mercies, whose "hand is upon all them for good that seek Him."

But we are, at the same time, constrained to mention that disturbances of a serious nature have recently agitated some parts of the Connexion, and produced not a few of the disastrous consequences which are wont to result from dissensions and schisms in a Christian community. We are happy, indeed, to be assured that, even by means of these disturbances, the principles and fidelity of our best friends have been more fully tried and approved; and we entertain a cheerful hope that, in this case, as in many former ones of a like character, "the things which" have "happened" will, in the issue, and under the control of Him who is "Head over all things to the church," "fall out rather unto the furtherance of the Gospel." Meanwhile, however, we cannot be insensible of the jeopardy to which not only individuals, but some entire Societies, are exposed, and of the possibility, nay, the probability, that, in more instances than it will ever be easy to know or name, there may be a mournful declension in vital godliness, and a departure from the fold of Christ. In these circumstances, it is not without mingled feelings that we proceed to lay before you such counsels and encouragements as the state of our affairs, whether prosperous or adverse, seems most to require.

Permit us, dear Brethren, at the very outset of these our pastoral admonitions, to exhort you to a more diligent cultivation of personal religion, and to the maintenance of circumspection and consistency in all your Christian walk. "Draw nigh to God, and He will draw nigh to you;" draw nigh through child-like and constant faith in Him who "His own self bare our sins in His own body on the tree," who "once suffered for sins, the just for the unjust, that He might bring us to God;" draw nigh by the grace of the Holy Spirit, who supplies all the aid which man needs in his approaches to the Most High; and thus, looking to the Father, through the Son, and by the "one Spirit" of truth and love, expect the promised gifts of light, and life, and peace, which so freely descend from the eternal and inexhaustible Source of good. "Blessed is

the people that know the joyful sound: they shall walk, O LORD, in the light of Thy countenance." Receive *from* God, use *for* God. Cherish "the spirit of grace and of supplications," which the LORD is still pleased to "pour upon" His people. Be attentive to seasons of prayer,—private, domestic, social, public; and, in humility, faith, and hope, commit yourselves to Him who "will gather Israel, and keep him, as a shepherd doth his flock;" who "will cause" His people "to walk by the rivers of waters in a straight way, wherein they shall not stumble," while they "shall flow together to the goodness of the LORD," and "their soul shall be as a watered garden." Let your "delight be in the law of the LORD." "Meditate" in it. Make it the subject of edifying conversation in your intercourse with each other. Follow all its lessons; for "the words of the LORD are pure words, as silver tried in a furnace of earth, purified seven times." Rejoice that "through patience and comfort of the Scriptures" you may always "have hope." "Trust ye in the LORD for ever," and let Him be your unfailing resource, that you may be "as a tree planted by the waters, and that spreadeth out her roots by the river, and shall not see when heat cometh, but her leaf shall be green; and shall not be careful in the year of drought, neither shall cease from bearing fruit." Forsake not the Lord's Table, but joyfully embrace all the opportunities which may be afforded to you of sharing in the comforts and benefits of that holy Sacrament, of commemorating your Saviour's dying love, of renewing your acts of Christian faith, hope, and charity, and of "showing the LORD's death till He come." Daily aspire to higher attainments in the life Divine. "Press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus." Seek that your "love" may be "made perfect." Remember that "God is love," and that "he who dwelleth in love dwelleth in God, and God in him." Faithfully aim at the right application of all your spiritual blessings. "Teach me Thy way, O LORD," says the Psalmist, "and lead me in a plain path, because of mine enemies:"—and again, "Teach me to do Thy will; for Thou art my God: Thy Spirit is good; lead me into the land of uprightness." The kingdom of God is "righteousness, and peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost." But "in these things," in the enjoyment and use of these inestimable blessings, we are taught and bound to "serve Christ." "See then that ye walk circumspectly, not as fools, but as wise." "Who then," writes St. James, "is a wise man and endued with knowledge among you? let him show out of a good conversation his works with meekness of wisdom." "Put on therefore," says St. Paul to the Colossians, "as the elect of God, holy and beloved, bowels of mercies, kindness, humbleness of mind, meekness, long-suffering; forbearing one another, and forgiving one another, if any man have a quarrel against any: even as Christ forgave you, so also do ye."

To secure the object which we have now urged on your Christian attention, permit us also, with affectionate earnestness, to warn you against all that might expose your personal religion to danger, and particularly against evils which prevail in the present day.

Carefully avoid the indulgence of a suspicious and censorious spirit. Call to mind what our Lord says of our becoming little children, that we may enter into the kingdom of God; and dwell also on that beautiful portraiture of a true disciple which occurs in the one hundred and thirty-first Psalm: "LORD, my heart is not haughty, nor mine eyes lofty: neither do I exercise myself in great matters, or in things too high for me. Surely I have behaved and quieted myself, as a child that is weaned of his mother: my soul is even as a weaned child." When this temper pervades a Christian Society, there is every ground for confidence, and the grateful anticipation of prosperous times. How truly and cheerfully may it then be added, as the Psalmist himself adds, "Let Israel hope in the LORD from henceforth and for ever!" With humility and peace He will bestow prosperity.

Beware of whisperers,—who, under the guise of friendship, and perhaps of great candour, in the possession of your confidence, and in free communication with you, scatter insinuations to the disadvantage of others, and secretly diffuse a poison which may not soon be removed. Consider that the "rejoicing" at which a Christian man ought to aim is this, "the testimony of his conscience, that in simplicity and godly sincerity, not with fleshly wisdom, but by the grace of God," he has had his "conversation in the world, and more abundantly" towards those who are united with him in Christian relations and fellowship. Guard against them who, in any way, or under any professions, "lie in wait to deceive;" and "speaking the truth," or "being sincere," "in love," seek to "grow up into Him in all things, which is the Head, even Christ: from whom the whole body fitly joined together and compacted by that which every joint supplieth, according to the effectual working in the measure of every part, maketh increase of the body unto the edifying of itself in love." Let "your love abound yet more and more in knowledge and in all judgment." Pray that, in the enjoyment and exercise of this Divine love, "ye may approve things that are excellent," and may, in all events and exigencies, "be sincere and without offence," keeping at the utmost distance from everything by which "your minds" might "be corrupted from the simplicity that is in Christ."

Never give entertainment to the spirit of retaliation or revenge. Yield not to enmity. Be prompt and glad to make allowance for the infirmities of others, and to maintain the "charity" which "shall cover the multitude of sins." Do not forget that the only petition in the Lord's Prayer to which He has Himself annexed a

particular comment and application, is the one in which He teaches us to say, "Forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors;" "for if ye forgive men their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you: but if ye forgive not men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses." Are you assailed, misrepresented, injured?—and are you tempted, by reprisals, by contempt, or in any other way which the Law of Truth and Charity does not warrant, to requite what you have suffered? Pause and reflect. Think of what the Law of Moses enjoins: "Thou shalt not hate thy brother in thine heart. Thou shalt not avenge, nor bear any grudge against the children of thy people; but thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself: I am the LORD." "Dearly beloved," says St. Paul, "avenge not yourselves, but rather give place unto wrath: for it is written, Vengeance is Mine; I will repay, saith the LORD." Vengeance, then, is the LORD's, not ours. Let us beware lest we usurp His prerogative, and forget our entire dependence on Him. Has any one done you evil? "Say not thou, I will recompense evil; I will do so to him as he hath done to me; I will render to the man according to his work:—but wait on the LORD, and He shall save thee." "Therefore if thine enemy hunger, feed him; if he thirst, give him drink: for in so doing thou shalt heap coals of fire on his head."

Suffer us further to admonish you that you exert yourselves, in your several spheres of life and action, and according to the abilities and opportunities which the Great Proprietor of all things may have conferred upon you, in the promotion of religion, with all that relates to its peculiar influence, and the maintenance of its sacred institutions.

Care, with affectionate and faithful zeal, for the spiritual interests of your own families, and of all to whom you may stand in any domestic relation, whether nearer or more remote. Recall to memory the plain and powerful lessons which the Holy Scriptures teach, under every dispensation and in every circumstance, with respect to the religious training of families. It is "God" Himself who "setteth the solitary in families," and whose own

ures that He "will be the God of all the families of

He, then, is the Author of our domestic communities, He provides, to which He condescends to stand at the head, and by which He is always acknowledged and adored. By the daily reading of His Word in your families, by prayer, intercession, and thanksgiving for the cases of all their members, by the free exercise of familiar Christian teaching,—by the habitual use of kind but firm discipline,—and by your own examples,—seek that your families, as well as yourselves, be consecrated to Him to whom both you and they

belong,—that they may perpetuate His name and praise when you are no more seen,—and that, in all their branches and connexions, they may escape the calamities which hang over the families that call not on the name of the LORD. Be vigilantly on your guard “lest there should be among you” a “family whose heart turneth away this day from the LORD our God;” and, for your encouragement, remember that the LORD has promised to “create upon every dwelling-place of Mount Zion,” as well as “upon her assemblies, a cloud and smoke by day, and the shining of a flaming fire by night.”

Attend to the sick and poor in your several neighbourhoods, and wherever your influence may extend. “Blessed is he that considereth the poor.” “He that despiseth his neighbour,” whatever the circumstances of that neighbour may be, “sinneth: but he that hath mercy on the poor, happy is he.” “He hath dispersed, he hath given to the poor; his righteousness endureth for ever; his horn shall be exalted with honour.” Shall we, on this subject, forget or disregard His instructions who, in the parable of the Good Samaritan, has so fully and forcibly answered the question, “Who is my neighbour?” and who, in His solemn description of the proceedings of the last day, speaks of Himself in the person of the poor and suffering; warning us that, in them, (“these my brethren,” He says, nay, “the least of these my brethren,”) He is “an hungred” whom we are to “feed,” “thirsty” to whom we are to “give drink,” “a stranger” whom we are to “take in,” “naked” whom we are to “clothe,” “sick,” or “in prison,” whom we are to “visit?” “When James, Cephas, and John,” writes St. Paul, “who seemed to be pillars, perceived the grace that was given unto me, they gave to me and Barnabas the right hands of fellowship; that we should go unto the Heathen, and they unto the Circumcision. Only,” in this recognition of apostolical equality, and in this great distribution of apostolical labour, “they would that we should remember the poor; the same,” adds this devoted Apostle of the Gentiles, “which I also was forward to do,” as indeed all his conduct proved. It is unnecessary to remind you that, in this province of most charitable service, our venerable Founder was pre-eminently distinguished, and that it is also a province which the Connexion of Wesleyan Methodists has always sought to cultivate. “See,” then, “that ye abound in this grace also.” Manifest your care for the poor and needy by your own personal exertions, and by freely supplying all the encouragement in your power to the unostentatious (but patient and most useful) forms of charity which search out the destitute and afflicted in their own abodes of sorrow, and minister at once to their temporal and spiritual relief. And, in these offices of love, do not neglect the seasonable and suitable provision which is due to the aged Christian poor.

Pay a more particular and active regard to the establishment and extension of Christian Schools. You are deeply sensible that all education ought to be based on religion,—that, whether in earlier or in later life, “the fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom,”—and that Christian “fathers” are especially enjoined by apostolical authority, “not to provoke their children to wrath,” but to “bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord.” This is a principle which you have always been taught to esteem as one of vital and paramount importance, and one from which we trust that nothing will ever be able to move you. But let us affectionately admonish you to hold it *practically*, and to promote the institution or enlargement of Christian Schools, not on Sundays only, but also and especially on the week-days. This is a department of Christian service to which we are now peremptorily called, and which we cannot omit, or heedlessly postpone, without injury to others, as well as serious blame to ourselves. Opportunities are afforded in a larger measure than formerly, by the erection, for example, of the spacious and most convenient premises at Westminster, where, in addition to the education of children, a competent number of Teachers, both male and female, will be trained to meet the demands of the Connexion. It is our confident hope that this noble establishment will not fail, or be impeded in its operations, for want of adequate support. Let us diligently maintain and use all the facilities which are, or which may be, provided for the religious welfare of them who are now rising into life; that we may not “hide” what we have “heard and known,” but may “show to the generation to come the praises of the LORD, and His strength, and His wonderful works that He hath done; that the generation to come may know them, even the children which shall be born, who shall arise and declare them to their children, that they may set their hope in God, and not forget the works of God, but keep His commandments.”

Freely concur with your Christian brethren of other communities, and according to the earnest recommendations which you have often received from us on this subject, in striving by all the means which Christians are taught to use, to secure a better observance of the Lord’s day, and of other institutions which it has pleased Almighty God to appoint. Whatever pleas or excuses may be urged on the other side, adhere to the plain teachings of Scripture. Follow the infallible rule which is there prescribed, and let not man’s cupidity or man’s pleasure divert your attention from it. Efforts based on right and well-tried principles, sustained in the spirit of truth and unfeigned charity, prosecuted, “by evil report and good report,” in patience and peace, and offered in prayer and submission to God, cannot fail in the end of some gratifying success. Permit us here also to remind you of the admonition which we addressed to you last year more at large, to be

constantly on your guard against the love of the world, and the encroachments of a worldly spirit. Let not the claims of man, real or imaginary, let not the claims of yourselves or your families, interfere with the claims of God :—and in your secular plans and engagements, be cautious how you connect yourselves, directly or indirectly, with what may involve a practical disregard of God's own day, or a violation of its sanctity. If you cannot prevent “other men's sins,” be not “partakers” of them.

Allow us farther to exhort you that, according to your means and opportunities, you support what is emphatically called the Work of God, at home and abroad,—and that you do it from motives which rise far above the reach or influence of vain and groundless insinuations. As in other forms of Christian effort, so also in this, let there be “first a willing mind.”—When the LORD commanded Moses to “speak unto the children of Israel, that they should bring Him an offering” for the Tabernacle, it was added, “Of every man that giveth it *willingly with his heart* ye shall take my offering.” Accordingly, as is afterwards related, “they came, every one *whose heart stirred him up*, and every one whom *his spirit made willing*, and they brought the LORD's offering,”—“they came, both men and women, as many as were *willing hearted*.” “The people,” in David's day, “rejoiced, for that they offered *willingly*, because *with perfect heart they offered willingly to the Lord*,”—so that David could gratefully say, “I have seen with joy Thy people, which are present here, to *offer willingly* unto Thee.” The chief of the fathers, in Ezra's time, “offered *freely*, and after their ability.” A gift presented with a mind thus willing and ready, “is accepted according to that a man hath, and not according to that he hath not.” “Every man,” then, “according as he purposeth in his heart, so let him give; *not grudgingly*, or *of necessity*: for God loveth a *cheerful giver*.” “He that giveth, let him do it *with simplicity*.” When these rules are followed, the Work of God, in its several parts and provinces, will not and cannot fail of the pecuniary supplies which are needful to carry out its several operations.

Seek to conserve the godly order which ought to exist in every Christian Society. Let every one be found at his proper post, intent on the duties and services which are allotted to him. And here we would exhort our beloved brethren, the Leaders, Local Preachers, and others who sustain important offices in the Connexion, to prosecute their respective labours with peaceful and patient zeal, and to “take courage.” Their “labour is not in vain in the Lord.” “Jerusalem is builded as a city that is compact together,” or “at unity in itself.” When St. Paul was writing to the Colossians, he said, “Though I be absent in the flesh, yet am I with you in the spirit, joying and beholding your *order*, and the steadfastness of your faith in Christ.” If every one

observe his due order,—if he “look not on his own things, but also on the things of others,”—if he faithfully occupy the place which the Grace and Providence of God have assigned to him,—and if, in all this, he cheerfully anticipate success,—he shall not be disappointed. Peace shall calm and tranquillise his spirit; the path of useful and honourable service shall open more and more before him, and, in his faithful endeavours to promote our common Saviour’s cause, he shall happily prove that “the fruit of righteousness is sown in peace of them that make peace.” “The wicked,” indeed, “worketh a deceitful work: but to him who” thus “soweth righteousness shall be a sure reward.” Let each one, then, abide in his station,—let him do the work of the day in its day, contented with it whatever it may be,—and let him wait, in humble expectation, until the Lord of all, who bestows the several talents which we are to use for Him, shall Himself say, “Well done, good and faithful servant; thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy Lord.”

But to all these counsels let us add one of supreme importance, and which relates to the duty of prayer for the richer visitations of the Holy Spirit, with a fervent hope of them. The blessing which the church of Christ, in its Ministers and people, at home and in other lands, especially needs at the present time,—the blessing which the world itself needs in its various movements and inquiries,—the blessing which all need,—is a larger manifestation of the Spirit’s grace and power. This will allay agitation,—this will give true peace and prosperity,—this will call forth the convictions which are already secretly wrought in many hearts,—this will reveal Christ in the souls of men, and will effectually supply the general want. “The parched ground shall become a pool, and the thirsty land springs of water: in the habitation of dragons, where each lay, shall be grass with reeds and rushes.” When the LORD, in fulfilment of His own promise, shall “pour water upon him that is thirsty, and floods upon the dry ground,” when He shall “pour His Spirit upon our seed, and His blessing upon our offspring,” then, by a corresponding augmentation of every good, by a new, rapid, and abundant prosperity, “they shall spring up as among the grass, as willows by the water-courses. One shall say, I am the LORD’s; and another shall call himself by the name of Jacob; and another shall subscribe with his hand unto the LORD, and surname himself by the name of Israel.” But “thus saith the Lord God; I will yet for this be inquired of by the house of Israel, to do it for them; I will increase them with men like a flock.”

The addition of numbers to the Societies during the past year is Nine Thousand and Four, besides more than Twenty Thousand who have been received on trial.—Thirty-five of our Brethren in

the ministry have this year departed to their rest. Among these we are called, with affectionate remembrances and regrets, to record the name of the venerable RICHARD REECE, who had honourably sustained the Ministerial Office for sixty-three years,—fifty-nine of which he spent in the full and efficient service of the several stations to which he was appointed. He was an eminent father in our Israel, and, through all the years of his protracted life, a faithful follower of his Lord,—able, devoted, unwearied, guided with a counsel which never forsook or failed him, and blessed with that “peace of God which passeth all understanding,”—a peace which, amidst all the changes of life, and in the nearest approach of death, “kept his heart and mind through Christ Jesus.” But “instead of thy fathers shall be thy children.” Thirty-six young men, after having honourably completed the term of their probation, are this year admitted into full ministerial connexion with the Conference; and from the spirit which they manifest, and the gifts with which they are severally endued, they promise fair to approve themselves as a part of the succession of “faithful men, who shall be able to teach others also.”

For the harmony and peace which have pervaded the sittings of this Conference, as well as of its Preparatory Committees, and for the refreshing influences which have accompanied its various religious services, we would offer our joint and fervent thanksgivings to Him who is the Author of all life and love. It is He who alone can make His servants to “be of the same mind one toward another,”—that they may “stand fast in one spirit, with one mind striving together for the faith of the Gospel.”—Memorials and Letters have been received by the Conference from persons in their individual capacity, and from Special Circuit-Meetings. These have passed under a careful examination, the contents of them have been distinctly reported, and have been considered with serious and deliberate attention. For the determinations of the Conference upon them, we refer to the Minutes which are especially prepared on that subject. But it seems right, and it may also suffice, in this place, to say, that to the system of doctrine and discipline which we have received from our fathers, and which we believe to be in strict accordance with the teachings of Holy Scripture, we are resolved, by the grace of God, steadfastly to cleave; nor can we, in particular, allow anything to interfere with that great *Connexional* character which is indelibly stamped on all our institutions. We cannot violate the trust which has been confided to us; and we affectionately exhort you, dear brethren, to maintain the privileges which you, with ourselves, are permitted so largely and freely to share. “Meddle not with them that are given to change,” or, as the margin reads, with “changers;” but whereto ye “have already attained,” in the use and application of the manifold helps which you enjoy, seek to “walk,” as we

also would pray that we may ourselves be enabled to walk, "by the same rule," and to "mind the same thing."

"Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest," (or "venerable,") "whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things."

Signed on behalf and by order of the Conference,

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JOHN HANNAH, D.D., *Secretary*.

London, August 20th, 1850.

THE ANNUAL ADDRESS OF THE IRISH CONFERENCE TO THE BRITISH CONFERENCE.

VERY DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN,

AFTER another eventful year, we again assemble at our Annual Conference, with emotions of the liveliest gratitude to Almighty God, by whose goodness and mercy our lives have been preserved, and our spirits have been sustained amid varied trials and discouragements, in the discharge of the arduous and responsible duties assigned to us by our divine Lord.

Your truly excellent Address was read on the first day of our Conference, at a very early period of its proceedings: it was listened to with most respectful attention. The views which it takes respecting our peculiar position in this country of darkness and superstition, the estimate which it forms of the difficulties with which we have to struggle in our hallowed efforts to scatter the gloom and break the power of error, appeared to us singularly just. The sentiments of brotherly love and pure ministerial affection which it so strongly breathes, and which we sincerely reciprocate, revived and cheered us: our hearts were filled with gratitude to God, that we are favoured with such wise counsels to direct us in our varied difficulties; and that we enjoy the comfort of your generous and practical sympathy to encourage us in our depressed and dispiriting circumstances. Our essential oneness with you, which receives your hearty recognition, is to us matter of devout gratitude. We readily acknowledge that, by our union with you, we are laid under great and numerous obligations, as, but for your paternal care and liberal aid, we could not have maintained even the position which we now occupy; but we should have been compelled to recede, and should have been forced to yield to the strong and impetuous tide of opposition which has been flowing against us from many directions.

It is to us cause of pious thankfulness, that so remarkable an agreement in judgment, and a spirit of such cordial love, should

have pervaded your last Conference, so memorable in the annals of your history. We regard such a fact as a signal and encouraging proof of the vigilant care with which the great Head of the church watches over your interests.

As we feel a lively joy in your success, and as we most devoutly give glory to God, when we hear that your widely-extended Societies “stand fast in one spirit, with one mind striving together for the faith of the Gospel;” so also, beloved Fathers and Brethren, we mourn with you, when, through the insidious and wicked efforts of those who would cause divisions, the peace of any of the people of your charge is disturbed. Being well aware that religious dissension is the bane of religious prosperity, we therefore with much grief of heart have become acquainted with the fact, that an unhallowed agitation during the past year was distracting the harmony of some parts of your Connexion. When we look at the means employed to excite and foster such an evil work, when we behold the un-Christian spirit manifested in connexion with it, when we consider its awful results, involving the spiritual loss of not a few, who may have unhappily yielded themselves to its injurious spirit, we strongly deprecate such unseemly strife and contention; and we tenderly sympathise with our beloved and honoured Brethren in England, who, because of their steadfast adherence to our discipline, and their determination to maintain it, became the objects of misrepresentation and slander. We pray that the trials of the past year may be overruled for good. We glorify God that, since the last Conference, your labours have been so signally blessed; so that, notwithstanding those efforts to alienate and divide, you have a considerable accession to your Societies; and that your noble Missionary cause has been judged worthy of even increased confidence, and of a more liberal support. We confidently hope, that when this storm of agitation shall have passed away, you will be blessed with peace and greater prosperity; that you will enjoy a purified spiritual atmosphere; and that your Societies, walking in the fear of the Lord, and in the comfort of the Holy Ghost, will be much edified, and greatly multiplied. The admirable and very seasonable declaration of our much-beloved President, which was circulated among us in the past year for signature, was received by us with high respect. We felt that at such a critical time, we were specially called upon publicly to avow our sincere and loyal attachment to Wesleyan Methodism as it is, and our earnest desire that it should be transmitted to succeeding generations, in the purity of its doctrine, in the integrity of its discipline, and in the unbroken strength of its administration. We rejoice that our gracious Lord continues to afford His blessing to your ministrations of the word of life; and that by granting to you the manifestations of His power and grace in the conversion of sinners, He thereby affixes the seal of His divine approbation

to the truths you preach, and attests the validity of your appointment to the Christian ministry. Your success encourages us to persevere, and excites a hope that in due season we, too, shall reap in our field of labour an abundant harvest of precious souls to the praise and glory of God. We pray most fervently that God may vouchsafe to you still richer effusions of the grace and unction of the Holy Spirit, that your labours may be crowned with still more signal triumphs in Christ. Though none of our Circuits in the past year were altogether without the gracious tokens of the Saviour's presence, yet some were favoured with special displays of His power and love, "and many believed, and were turned to the Lord." Some of our Brethren in the public streets preached Christ, and offered His salvation to the perishing sinners around. We would desire to be more thoroughly imbued with that truly heroic spirit of enterprise, and hallowed self-denial, which animated and distinguished our Fathers in this ministry, and which is as urgently needed at the present time, as at any past period of our existence as a people.

Many are the unfriendly and hostile influences which impede and counteract our operations : many are the causes of our numerical declension ; for this year also we have to deplore a decrease in the number of members in our Societies. The manifestation of an opposing spirit in quarters where we might have looked for encouragement, contracts our field of usefulness, and militates against our success. Our country has not yet recovered the fearful shock which it sustained during the late painful and wasting visitation, when famine and disease afflicted our convulsed and sorrow-stricken land : the deep and prevailing poverty, the result of such calamitous events, has contributed to prevent the augmentation of our numbers.

Emigration has again this year removed to other lands One Thousand and Ninety-Seven members of our Societies. The heavy losses which we sustain from this cause each successive year, operate very much against the progression of our cause, since by emigration that portion of the population among whom we can exercise our ministry is gradually lessened. Multitudes in the middle class of life depart from our land ; and it is among persons in that grade of society we might hope to labour with the most encouraging prospect of success ; thus, also, many of our enterprising and right-hearted Leaders are removed from us ; and thus we are deprived of the services of many young persons, who had been nurtured and cherished in the bosom of Irish Methodism, who we might expect would become active and efficient agents in the promotion of our interests. Owing to emigration, Societies have been broken up, in some places, in the past year ; classes have been left without a Leader, and without any person in the city capable of holding a religious meeting ; and places in our

Circuits, where we had long ministered the word of life, have been lost to us. Yet our sorrow on this account is attended with the alleviating consideration, that the multitudes who are thus parted from us will become, in other lands, useful and devoted members of the church of Christ, and that we shall meet them at the last day ; who will be our “joy and crown of rejoicing, in the presence of our Lord Jesus Christ at His coming.”

You are well aware that there is dominant in Ireland a fell system of superstition, which is directly opposed to the Scriptures of truth ; which, in its influence upon a country or an individual, is debasing and demoralising ; and which holds in chains of spiritual bondage millions of our enslaved fellow-countrymen. The root of the woes and sufferings of our unhappy land lies in the depravity of her people, and that depravity is the result of ignorance of the truths and doctrines of the Bible : every true lover of this country may say, “My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge.” Sin eats away the strength of any country, exhausts its resources, and brings down upon it the judgments of Almighty God ; for He turneth “a fruitful land into barrenness, for the wickedness of them that dwell therein :” the truth of which is demonstrated by the downfall of nations at one time renowned and prosperous, but the breath of Heaven’s displeasure withered their pride, and blasted their glory. But true religion is the most glorious distinction, the strongest security, of any people, and the only solid basis of a nation’s glory ; for it is “righteousness” which “exalteth a nation.” The present pre-eminent position of your own favoured land affords a striking illustration of the correctness of this sentiment ; for is it not to her love and veneration which, as a nation, she is taught to cherish for the word and authority of God, that she is principally indebted for her glory and greatness ? This, truly, is the sun of her glory, and around it all her other distinctions revolve. We are firmly convinced that the grand and only effectual remedy for the ills and sufferings of our fallen world, and our unhappy country, is to be found in the glorious Gospel of the blessed God ; for we are most deeply persuaded, that the preaching of Christ crucified is the only successful means of elevating individuals, governments, and nations, and is the only instrumentality capable of subduing the heart of man, whether abroad amid the dense darkness of Heathenism, or at home amid superstition and vice.

We deeply feel our obligations to the deluded multitudes which surround us : we mourn and sigh that a people so generous and intelligent should be the dupes of anti-Christian error ; and that immortal beings, redeemed by the precious blood of Christ, and hastening to eternity, should be the professors of a creed which, by denying the sufficiency of the sacrifice of Christ, robs man of his only hope of salvation. We long for the time, when the

barriers to the spread of evangelical truth in Ireland shall be removed, when wide and effectual doors shall be opened, into which faithful Ministers, constrained by the love of Christ, shall enter, to proclaim to its perishing population, "Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world!" We would not entertain low and desponding thoughts about the spiritual regeneration of our native land: we rejoice to know that the Gospel which we preach, in the divinity of its Author, in the adaptation of its truths to man in every possible variety of circumstances, in its efficiency to vanquish the most determined opposition of the human heart, is the same now as at any former period. When we look at the illustrious triumphs of the Gospel in the days of primitive Christianity, and when we see it now in Heathen lands waging so successful a warfare against sin, and against "the carnal mind, which is enmity against God," we behold, in all this, ample demonstration that the Gospel can liberate the most degraded slave of superstition, can strike off the fetters of his spiritual captivity, and can make him free indeed; for the "Gospel of Christ is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth." We believe that Methodism, in the character of the ministry which it employs, and in the truths which that ministry makes prominent, is specially adapted to disperse the darkness which overhangs the land of our birth. We are resolved to preach with clearness the doctrines of justification by faith, and the direct and abiding witness of the Holy Spirit: these still form glorious peculiarities in our preaching, which, when felt in their saving power, correct not only the evils of the heart, but also the errors of the creed; and which, when proclaimed, with the accompanying power of the Holy Ghost, by our illustrious Founder and his noble band of allies, aroused the world and the Church from a state of spiritual stagnation, and sent through the length and breadth of the land the light and warmth of scriptural truth and holiness.

We observe with pleasure and approbation your active efforts to establish Catechumen Classes, for training the young to become well-instructed and consistent members of the church of Christ. We, too, have given considerable attention to this important subject, and have formed many such classes, which are in healthy and efficient operation; and we feel persuaded that, if we would not lose the young, our principal hope and stay in future years, we must exercise over them a pastoral oversight.

We have heard with much regret, that it is the intention of the highly-esteemed and active Superintendent of our Missions and Schools to remove from the important office to which he was appointed by you, and the duties of which he has most efficiently fulfilled for fourteen years. By promptly affording us his wise counsel and valuable aid on all occasions, he has rendered most important service to our general work; and we should rejoice if

arrangements could be made to secure to us for a short time longer his highly-prized and very efficient labours.

Six of our beloved Brethren in the last year have ceased from their labours, and entered into rest: thus are we affectingly reminded,

“How feeble is our mortal frame,
What dying worms we be!”

Thus are we loudly exhorted, “Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might; for there is no work, nor device, nor knowledge, nor wisdom, in the grave, whither thou goest.” Three of our Brethren retire from the active work, and become Supernumeraries; one of whom commenced his ministry amongst us forty-one years ago, and (with a very short interval) laboured among us for that entire period, and always with fidelity and acceptance. We may especially mention the name of our highly-venerated Brother, the REV. WILLIAM STEWART, who is well known to your Conference, as he frequently visited you as one of our Representatives. For the long, and with us unprecedented, period of fifty years, he occupied a highly honourable place in our Connexion, was frequently appointed to our most important Circuits, and was called to fill our most responsible offices. We feel that we have sustained a great loss in his retirement, as he was untiring to advance the interests of our cause, to which he rendered signal service and afforded most efficient assistance, especially in seasons of great difficulty and peculiar emergency. Thus other men laboured, and we have entered into their labours. O that we may catch the spirit of our Divine Saviour, who said, “I must work the works of Him that sent me, while it is day: the night cometh, when no man can work!”

Amid the many gracious evidences of our Divine Master's presence amongst us, we regard as a striking instance the supply afforded for filling the vacancies in our ministry. Six young men who had satisfactorily completed their period of probation were solemnly set apart to the work of the ministry, before a crowded and deeply-impressed congregation: the service was peculiarly solemn and edifying. Five, recommended by their District-Meetings, and approved of by the Conference, were appointed to Circuits. Our earnest prayer for these Brethren is, that they may be “full of the Holy Ghost and of faith,” and that they may be earnest and successful in saving souls.

With feelings of high delight, we welcomed again amongst us our much-honoured President; we sympathised with him in the past year, as he was called to sustain very onerous duties; we rejoiced to see him in the enjoyment of excellent health and intellectual vigour; we have witnessed with joy and gratitude the meekness of wisdom, and kindliness of spirit, which he manifested at all our sittings. His discourses, rich in evangelical truth,

powerful in their application to the heart and conscience, and eminently crowned with the unction of the Holy Ghost, were listened to by very large congregations with deep interest and intense emotion. Again we were gladdened with the presence, instructed by the wisdom, delighted and impressed with the ministry, of Dr. Newton, in whom we recognise an able Minister of the Lord Jesus, and a sincere and well-tried friend. The visit of your valued Secretary, Dr. Hannah, was highly prized by us: the deep interest he took in all our affairs, and his ministrations and expositions of the word of life, so lucid and powerful, have laid us under very great obligations to him. We glorify God in these distinguished Brethren, the messengers of your churches, and the glory of Christ; and long may their valuable lives be spared to serve God in the Gospel of his Son!

Your Missionary Deputation—consisting of the Revds. John Rattenbury and John W. Thomas, for the South; of the Revds. Robert S. Hardy and William Allen, 1st, for the North; and the Rev. John Thomas (who came as a substitute for the Rev. Jonathan Crowther) for the West—was highly acceptable, and rendered the important cause of Christian Missions special service.

You will be glad to know that our Conference was distinguished by uninterrupted harmony and brotherly love. We were indeed ready each his friendly aid to afford, and to feel a Brother's care. The feeling which pervaded us in all our deliberations and decisions was in perfect accordance with the exhortation of the Apostle, "Be pitiful, be courteous, having compassion one of another, love as brethren." In our various sittings and services we were favoured with much of the power and presence of the great Head of the church.

We have appointed as our Representatives to your Conference this year, the Revds. Thomas Waugh, John F. Mathews, and William P. Appelbe, whom we are persuaded you will receive with your wonted kindness.

And now, dear Fathers and Brethren, we are about to close our Conference, and to repair to our respective spheres of labour. We have to contend against strong and varied opposition; and it requires no common strength of religious principle to persevere steadily in the path of duty, when difficulties and discouragements meet us in every direction; but we are persuaded that God has called us to this ministry. We are firmly convinced that the doctrines which we preach are the truth of God. We retain a grateful recollection of our obligations to Methodism. We are not forgetful that the vows of God are upon us. We confess that we know no section of the church which affords such advantages for personal holiness, nor any which presents like opportunities for promoting the glory of God in the salvation of immortal souls, as that with which it is our privilege to be associated.

We are determined, by the grace of God, not to be weary in well-doing. We devote ourselves afresh to the service of our Divine Master. We resolve to preach more faithfully and zealously repentance and remission of sins in the name of Christ; to give increased and constant attention to pastoral visitation; and to take heed unto ourselves, “and to all the flock, over the which the Holy Ghost hath made us overseers,” to feed the “church of God, which he hath purchased with His own blood.” We earnestly implore the baptism of the Holy Ghost, as we are convinced that the unction of the Spirit of God is the true secret of all ministerial success; and girding on our spiritual armour, “strong in the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,” with unabated ardour we hasten to engage in our glorious, spiritual warfare, remembering for our encouragement that “the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strong holds.”

We rejoice in the assurance that you often supplicate the throne of grace in our behalf; and we are encouraged by the hope that, with a like fervour, you will pray for us, that we may with increasing clearness and pathos preach the Lord Jesus Christ, in the essential glory of His nature, in the infinite merit of His sacrificial death, in the fulness and freeness of His great salvation; and that, having watched in all things, having endured afflictions, having done the work of Evangelists, having made full proof of our ministry, each of us may be enabled, in the review of the past, and in the glorious anticipation of the future, to say, “I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith; henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, shall give me in that day.”

“O that each in the day of His coming may say,
‘I have fought my way through;
I have finish’d the work Thou didst give me to do.’

“O that each from his Lord may receive the glad word,
‘Well and faithfully done;
Enter into my joy, and sit down on my throne.’”

Signed on behalf and by order of the Conference,

JOHN F. MATHEWS, *Secretary.*

Dublin, July 3d, 1850.

THE ANSWER OF THE BRITISH CONFERENCE TO THE ADDRESS OF THE IRISH CONFERENCE.

VERY DEAR BRETHREN,

AMID the pressing cares and anxieties of our Annual Conference, which every year seem to become more onerous, it is one of our most grateful tasks to interchange fraternal acknowledgments

with you. Your sorrows, as well as joys, are all ours. With you we are pledged to maintain unimpaired the exercise of a ministry which, under Mr. Wesley, was called forth amid extraordinary circumstances by the sovereignty of God, and is still upheld by His blessing and favour;—a ministry which, by its peculiar self-regulating discipline and simple adhesion to the one purpose of declaring the truth as it is in Jesus, is more likely than any other to provoke the opposition of the world, and by consequence to require the endurance of a greater amount of self-denial. With you, we live for others, and labour for others. With you, we are set for the defence of the Gospel,—a Gospel which the world hates, but which is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth. We mutually submit our understandings to the all-authoritative and plenary inspiration of the holy Scriptures; and we excite the contempt of the speculative and philosophical: we spurn all human additions to articles of the Christian faith, and keep to the written word alone; and thus we have Popery, with its cognate forms, for our enemy: we maintain the divine institution of the pastoral office, and its necessary conservation in the church of God, as a Christian ordinance; and we offend those who are given to democratic theories of religious polity: we assert the absolute need, in order to salvation, of repentance, regeneration, and holiness; and we stir up the dislike of the worldly, the wicked, and the antinomian. Such is the fight in which we are engaged, and such the Christian conflict ever has been. We are not better than our fathers. We are content to be sharers in their odium, so that we may be partakers with them at last of the glorious victory which follows on fighting the good fight of faith.

At the same time, dear Brethren, our sympathy with you is very special. Your social sorrows and difficulties greatly add to the difficulties of your ministry. We mourn over the extremely indigent and depressed condition of your agricultural population,—the half-paralysed state of your internal trade,—the failure of those resources which otherwise by your generous people would be gladly devoted to evangelical purposes; we acknowledge the trial of your faith, in that so many hundreds of your people every year, the fruits of your own hallowed labour, should be taken from you by emigration, instead of remaining to strengthen your hands in the Lord, and give weight to the remaining Protestantism and piety of the land; but most of all we mourn over that dominant superstition which is so affectingly alluded to and dwelt upon in your Address, and regard it as the master-evil which afflicts Ireland,—physically one of the fairest portions of the earth. Popery, by carnalising Christianity, is not only impotent to contend with sin, but connives at it, and thrives by it: under its influence no quiet, constant, and light-giving influence of the word of God is found to operate, because the circulation of the

Bible is practically prohibited; and thus social evils, which through the natural corruption of man are at all times fearful enough, become immeasurably increased, and plunge a nation into unutterable misery. Still, however, dear Brethren, bear your testimony; humbly, meekly, yet with clearness and power. It is more honourable to contend in the very heart and centre of the strife, than to assail a few outposts. The promise of Christ, "Lo, I am with you alway," is not a vain or a vague one: your departed fathers and brethren never regretted, previous to their departure, that their strength had been consumed in such glorious toil; and every consideration drawn from that Christianity which we all would fain exemplify and spread, cheers you on. Your emigrant people, too, as we have had occasion to observe before, are not lost. God has a work for them to do, and the purposes of His kingdom are served by their removal.

As to the eternal truth of the doctrines which you preach, we have not a single misgiving. Our conviction continually deepens, that they are in their totality and harmony the only consistent exposition of the New Testament; and if, by the blessing of God, you shall conserve in evil times the integrity of your Christianity and Methodism, keeping up the intenseness of its simple life, you know not how great a flame, small though you are, and though other brethren may rather hinder than aid you, you may yet be the means of lighting up in your afflicted country. God can save by few as well as by many.

We would fain encourage you to persevere in all available methods of Biblical instruction; especially in the establishment of Bible and Catechumen Classes, and in making the Day-Schools effective for this purpose. We have experience among ourselves of the high value of all these aids; and yet with them all, both amongst us and you, we see a growing breadth of ignorance and sin, which all our efforts fail to overspread. O that we may be visited with the spirit of power; and, being impelled by ardent love to Christ, give ourselves to more abundant labour in making known the riches of His grace to mankind!

It is not a little cheering to us, beloved Brethren, in our present position, to have the assurance of your sympathy with ourselves, in respect of the strifes and agitations which have been so fearfully and sinfully promoted in many of our Societies during the past year. You have not underrated the evil: many of our beloved Brethren have been assailed in their character by the bitterest calumnies, their attempts to administer our discipline have been met with guileful and wrathful opposition, contempt has been poured upon the mildest exercise of their ministerial duty, and the people of their charge have been rent into parties by disappointed and schismatic persons, aided by an unscrupulous press. In the midst of all, however, the great body of our people have remained

firm to that form of godly order which has been observed from the beginning; and not only firm, but resolved not to have that order sacrificed to meet the wishes of a few restless and speculative theorists. It is no small joy to us, we repeat, that the heart of the Irish Connexion beats true in this great cause. We have little concern for ourselves personally; but we tremble for our trust. We humble ourselves, but magnify our office; and we have been led to make a stand for the mild and legitimate authority of the Pastorate, as well from a belief that this is according to the mind and will of Christ, as from a conviction that if this instituted guard be levelled, the truth can then be more effectually assailed. We maintain pastoral influence and authority in proportion as we reject priestly. If we were no longer allowed to exercise our right of official inquiry into the conduct and character of Brethren, and thus preserve ministerial purity,—if we were hindered from fulfilling the general New-Testament law of purity,—then we could no longer maintain our charge, and spread the spirit and doctrines of John Wesley's Methodism. We will take the suffrage and co-operation of our people and office-bearers with us, in all things, to their utmost allowable limit, and with the faithful majority of them it has always been our joy to act thus; but, beyond this limit, there is a point at which to our Divine Master alone we must stand or fall.

In the wildest season of the strife we were cheered with tokens of the Divine presence: we are cheered with them still. Our Missionary Executive, though assailed as to its integrity and Christian faithfulness, by every expedient which party violence could suggest, has come triumphantly out of the ordeal, and has received a unanimous vote of confidence from the largest Committee of Review which was ever held; comprising, with the invited parties, several hundreds of influential persons from all parts of the Connexion. Many of our provincial Societies, too, have been in great prosperity. Ten Thousand and Three persons have been added to us; most of them, we trust, to the Lord. Our present Conference, you will rejoice to hear, has not been that scene of strife and contention which our enemies predicted, but one of forbearance, mutual confidence, and unanimity almost unexampled. External trial brings us closer to each other: we separate with an humble determination to seek to administer the law of Christ in the spirit of Christ. We still crave your remembrance and your prayers; for you best can understand the anxieties that fill our hearts. There are many subjects of social and political interest now stirring the minds of men, which would be fit themes for Christian comment; but we forbear. We would not mar the simplicity of our aim, in this fraternal epistle, by anything tending to distraction: let the dead bury their dead; but let us, on our separate sides of the Channel, follow Christ.

We thank you, dear Brethren, for your more than courteous and affectionate reception of our honoured and beloved Ex-President, the Rev. Thomas Jackson, together with the eminent Ministers who accompanied him : his services to us, in the past year of trial, have been beyond all value. The Brethren of the Missionary Deputations, likewise, gratefully acknowledge their hospitable and Christian entertainment amongst you.

We have been most glad to see among us your excellent Representatives, the Rev. Thomas Waugh, and the Rev. John F. Mathews, not less, but more, respected for their frequent visits; and though the Rev. William P. Appelbe, LL.D., came as a stranger to many of us, he has commended himself to many hearts, by his truly Christian demeanour and impressive public ministrations.

We have appointed to attend your next Conference our highly-esteemed President, the Rev. Dr. Beecham, together with our Secretary, the Rev. Dr. Hannah, and the Rev. Dr. Newton. And in our plan of Missionary Deputations, we have made the following arrangements for Ireland:—For the North of Ireland, the Revds. Charles Haydon and John Rattenbury; for the South, the Revds. Joseph Hargreaves and John Martin; and for the West, the Rev. William Wedlock.

In the place of the Rev. Walter O. Croggon, who, for the present, retires from the office, we have appointed the Rev. Samuel Young, as the General Superintendent and Visiter of your Schools; and commend him to your brotherly consideration, and a share in your counsels.

We at once condole and rejoice with you over your sainted dead. This year you record that six Preachers have died. Your Brethren sleep in Jesus. Methodism rejoices over the dying testimony of its members and Ministers. O may it have no exception in our own! From ourselves has been taken the venerable RICHARD REECE, full of years and honour, whom you have often seen and heard, and whose apostolic character we need not now describe. Few, indeed, are now left who received their appointment from Mr. Wesley; in a few brief years this honoured race will be extinct, and the second age of Methodism will be a history: but O let us cleave to our adorable and living Head, and all shall be well! Let us be concerned for His glory, and He will take care of the ministerial succession. The death of an aged Minister amongst us, during the sittings of Conference, has startled us with a view of our own mortality, and sounded a premonition to watch and pray. We give you joy of your young candidates, and pray that they may prove faithful.

We unite with you in your expressions of affectionate sympathy with those of your Ministers who have this year, in the order of Divine Providence, given place to younger labourers, and entered on an honourable retirement, in which they may at length finish

their course with joy, faithfully discharging, so far as they may be able, though in a more limited sphere, the duties to which the vigour of their days has been devoted. May their sun set in unclouded brightness !

We also join in those particular expressions of esteem with which you refer to our beloved Brother, the REV. WILLIAM STEWART, who, as you inform us, is among those who have this year become "Supernumeraries." We have known him long. Frequently has he visited us in the character of your Representative ; and always has he been welcomed by us for his own sake, as well as on account of his office, the duties of which he always discharged with fidelity to you, and acceptance to ourselves. We shall not, perhaps, see his face again in the flesh ; but in the general assembly and church of the first-born, and of the spirits of just men made perfect, we trust we shall meet him, and enjoy with him the consummating and eternal blessings of "the common salvation." We assure him, through you, of our unabated Christian and fraternal regard, and that it is our earnest prayer that his life's evening may be serene and tranquil ; that, in proportion as the outer man decayeth, the inner man may be renewed and strengthened, so that when, at midnight, the Bridegroom cometh, among all who are "ready," he may "go in to the marriage."

Once more, then, dear Brethren, we commend you and your beloved people to the care and keeping of our Lord Jesus Christ. We trust you will not have a repetition of those peculiar trials which have been so afflictive to you during the last few years ; and in proportion as social quiet is promoted, and suffering relieved, we believe your countrymen will be disposed to attend to the things which belong to their peace. Your purposes and aims, too, will, ere long, we believe, be better appreciated by the several classes among whom you labour. Not that we expect, either for ourselves or for you, exemption from trial. The world is still dark and alien from the Gospel of Christ ; and great and effectual as is the door which is opened, there are many adversaries. But let us be strong and of a good courage. We find ourselves animated by your expressed determination to give more abundant zeal and energy to the work of the Lord ; and to you we shall still continue to look as to examples of holy diligence and self-denial. Go on, beloved Brethren, and may your joy be as the joy of harvest, where the reapers fill their arms with rich and mature sheaves ; and may you and your charge be finally gathered into the heavenly garner !

Signed on behalf and by order of the Conference,

ISAAC KEELING,

JOHN FARRAR,

WILLIAM BARTON,

} *Sub-Secretaries.*

London, August 19th, 1850.

**REPLY OF THE BRITISH CONFERENCE IN 1849, TO
THE CONFERENCE OF THE WESLEYAN-METHODIST
CHURCH IN CANADA IN CONNEXION WITH THE
BRITISH CONFERENCE.**

RECEIVE, very dear Brethren, our cordial greeting. Your welcome Address has served, in no small measure, to promote our growing love for you, and our deepening interest in your important work. "Grace be to you, and peace, from God our Father, and from the Lord Jesus Christ." Our prayers mingle with yours, that, if our Great Master will permit, your lives may be prolonged during many useful years, and that each of you may have the final joy of meeting in glory a multitude of redeemed spirits—his own "crown of rejoicing"—"in the presence of our Lord Jesus Christ at His coming."

That the Unity of the Wesleyan Churches is to you an object of ceaseless anxiety, we have not now to learn from your Address, or from the verbal communications of your excellent Representative, the Rev. John Ryerson, whom we have again affectionately welcomed in our Convocation. The account which that beloved Brother has given us of the present condition and the prospects of your interesting portion of our Connexion was listened to with deep attention, and called forth from the assembled Ministers lively expressions of thankfulness to Almighty God, who has so graciously answered our united prayers, and has given you harmony, peace, and prosperity within your borders. We avail ourselves of this opportunity to convey to you, through him, the assurance of our continued and increased desire for your welfare, and for the success of your labours in the extensive field of usefulness which lies before you, more especially amongst the Aboriginal Tribes and in the New Settlements. The arrangements issuing in our Union are reviewed, on our part as on yours, with grateful satisfaction; and we devoutly trust that the fruits will yet be reaped far more extensively to the glory of our Redeemer, that "both he that soweth and he that reapeth may rejoice together."

Allow us, while recording this anticipation, to congratulate you on the tokens of blessing which have re-assured and animated you in the last year. Seasons that are marked by temporal discouragements are not seldom relieved and brightened by spiritual success. Nor can we fear for your Financial Department, while your Societies are baptized with the spirit of a living and fruitful Christianity. All other prosperity flows from that which is internal and spiritual. Let our dear people but live near to God, drawing from a hidden Source their daily succours and comforts, and we fear not for their self-denying activity in supporting their Redeemer's cause. The springs of liberality will be thus kept open

and flowing, and there will be indicated a beautiful proportion between the contemplative and the active,—the inseparable parts and features of an enlightened Christian life.

To your Indian and Domestic Missions we look with gratitude and hope. Great, doubtless, are the toils and sacrifices incurred; but we are confident that the willing labourers find secret and unutterable refreshings from above, even in “the heat of” their well-occupied “day;” while the prospect expanding to their view is one that might have gladdened Martyrs and Apostles. Go on, beloved and esteemed Brethren, in your enterprise of spreading a vital Christianity through all the land; yea, and far beyond its boundary. Our warmest hopes attend you. Nothing that this restless age offers has impaired our confidence in the power of the pure, simple, primitive Gospel. That “word of reconciliation” has subdued and blessed many a barbarous tribe of our common race; it has been accepted with joy by a multitude in your Indian Stations. And, while you look up for the accompanying influence of the Holy Spirit,—like “floods upon the dry ground,”—you will still find the promise fulfilled. The “wilderness” shall “become a fruitful field,” and “the fruitful field” shall “be counted for a forest.”

In the other section of your Missionary work, we cannot but feel that you are entitled to our most affectionate encouragements. It is with deep concern that we think of the great waves of emigration, from the British shores, that are now following the setting sun: yet we are relieved, in no small degree, when we find you pursuing the settlers within your reach with Gospel messages, and seizing the occasion created by the solitudes, uncertainties, and sorrows of their new position, to point them to an unchangeable Saviour and an abiding city. It is matter of untold grief that, through the neglect of such efforts,—efforts sanctioned and hallowed by the examples of the earliest churches,—the triumphs of grace and truth are yet so limited. Hence, alas! the wide world is still unblest, though eighteen hundred years have passed since the ascending Lord “received gifts for men,” and shed forth the Spirit in the abundance of Pentecostal visitation.

Your fraternal love and mutual confidence will tend to the true advancement of your power and prosperity. We are deeply grateful to report, on the behalf of our collective Pastorate, an undeclining purpose to “keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.” From your Representative you will hear of some attempts to sow strife among us; but, while humbled by the review of such occurrences, we are full of joyous confidence that our British Connexion will draw good from the partial evil, and that the passing storm will be succeeded by a deeper tranquillity.

We duly appreciate the importance and desirableness of bringing

all the Wesleyan Societies and Congregations in the provinces of British North America into closer communion with each other; and of so extending the principles by which you are united with us, as to secure arrangements by means of which, under the Divine blessing, Methodism may be made more manifestly one in connexion with the Parent Body, and the increase and spread of truth and unity amongst our beloved Ministers and people in that vast portion of the United Empire be more effectually promoted. We regret that the present urgency of our own affairs prevented us from communicating more particularly with Mr. Ryerson upon this and other subjects than we have been able to do; but the important matter has engaged, and is engaging, the attention of our Missionary Secretaries and Committee.

It is with much satisfaction that we find indicated in your Address the plan on which you determine to proceed in maintaining your position among the churches of Christ, against certain assuming and exclusive claimants. Not that the questions involved create difficulty in enlightened and regenerate minds: we may be quite tranquil as to the controversy; so long, at least, as the Externalists fail to produce a single text of holy Scripture in support of their theory, and so long as their appeal is altogether unsupported by evidence or argument. But (to apply the sentiment of our revered Founder) salvation by grace through faith "strikes at the root" of the many-branching errors that threaten your efficiency. Let us, then, cherish the spirit of our great service, and preach "all the words of this life" with unfaltering confidence in their glorious power. "According as it is written, I believed, therefore have I spoken; we also believe, and therefore speak."

We have learned with much satisfaction that our esteemed Brother, the REV. DR. RICHEY, has, as Co-Delegate and President, discharged his important duties in a manner which has secured your highest approbation, as you have signified by requesting his re-appointment for another year; a request with which we most cheerfully comply, and trust that the state of his health may enable him to remain with you, at least, for some time longer. Persuaded that the services and counsels of our faithful and laborious Brother, the REV. ENOCH WOOD, as General Superintendent of Missions in Western Canada, have greatly contributed to their present state of efficiency and usefulness, we cheerfully accede to your application for his continuance amongst you in his present responsible office. We have marked the high sense which we entertain of your honoured Representative, the REV. JOHN RYERSON, by appointing him Co-Delegate; and pray that he may return amongst you "in the fulness of the blessing of the Gospel of peace."

"Now unto Him who is able to do exceeding abundantly above

all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us, unto Him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus, throughout all ages, world without end. Amen."

Signed in behalf of the Conference,

THOMAS JACKSON, *President.*

ADDRESS OF THE CONFERENCE OF THE WESLEYAN METHODIST CHURCH IN CANADA IN CONNEXION WITH THE BRITISH CONFERENCE, TO THE CONFERENCE IN ENGLAND.

REVEREND FATHERS AND BRETHREN,

WE have received and listened to your parental and instructive Address with peculiar satisfaction; and while we deeply sympathise with you in the trials through which you have been called to pass, in the maintenance of principles sacred to the vitality and very existence of a scriptural fraternity, we rejoice to learn that your firmness and fidelity have been so generously and nobly seconded and sustained by the subjects of your pastoral care; that their ranks have, to so great an extent, remained unbroken; and that your institutions and Missionary interests have been supported with such unwonted liberality and zeal. We believe the principles assailed in your persons involve the essential glory of Methodism; and the sacredness and importance of those principles have been more strongly impressed upon our minds by the lucid exposition given of them by our late honoured Representative to your Body, and your Co-Delegate, the REV. JOHN RYERSON, whose comprehensive and admirable Report of his mission to England has affected and delighted us. We heartily thank you for your respectful and affectionate attentions to him, and for the merited distinction which you have conferred upon him, and the benefit which you have bestowed upon this Connexion, by his appointment to the important office of Co-Delegate.

We have again to bear testimony to the ability, devotion, and efficiency with which our esteemed and beloved President, the REV. DR. RICHEY, has (as far as strength permitted) fulfilled the duties of his office during the year. We lament the alarming accident which has suspended his valuable labours during a part of the year, and which now compels him into retirement and seclusion, for a season, from the burden of official cares and duties. We truly sympathise with him in his affliction, and earnestly pray that he may be graciously sustained and comforted in his hours of trial, and that he may soon be restored to health and strength for those duties for which he is so eminently qualified. It will be our joy to receive him at any time in any relationship to which our Fathers and Brethren may appoint him.

We cordially concur in the request made by the Board of Management of Victoria College, that they may have the valuable assistance of Dr. RICHEY at the head of that institution, so important in its bearings upon the Wesleyan youth of the Province, and the prosperity of our Church ; especially so, as we contemplate a more enlarged and systematic design for the theological training of candidates for our ministry, in connexion with its operations.

The experience of another year has fully justified our application and your decision for the continuance of the REV. ENOCH WOOD as Superintendent of Missions in Upper Canada. His ministrations, counsels, and appeals have largely and widely contributed to sustain the Missionary cause in various parts of the Province ; while his visits to and care over the Missions have done much to promote their efficiency and success. We hope he may long be enabled to continue in his present career of labour and usefulness.

We are sure you will rejoice with us in the fact, that there has been a numerical increase of several hundreds in our church-members during the year, and a financial advance in all our Connexional Funds, and in every department of our work. The fruits of the blessed Union are becoming more and more developed ; unruffled peace prevails throughout all our Societies and Congregations ; a spirit of prayer, of benevolence, and of labour has been widely poured upon them ; there is a universal and hearty attachment to the great principles of our Wesleyan economy, and a grateful appreciation of its privileges ; at no former period have we ever had more promising indications of external advancement in our work ; while returning civil quiet, and reviving prosperity, brighten the prospects of our country at large, as an attached and prosperous portion of the British empire. We anticipate with you the period as not distant, when the British North American Provinces shall constitute one great Wesleyan Union in connexion with the Parent Body ; when the pulsations of a vital and practical unity shall vibrate throughout every member of our British North American Methodism, ever deriving increasingly impulsive energy from the Wesleyan heart of the mother-church of the British Isles.

On no part of our work can we look with more grateful pleasure, than on our Missions to the new settlements and Indian tribes,—two fields of labour, each of which must be dear to every British and Christian heart ; the former embracing so many thousands of emigrants from Great Britain and Ireland, the latter comprehending the noble, but impoverished, aboriginal proprietors of the country. The self-supporting advancement of these Missions generally is in full keeping with the religious and material prosperity of the subjects of them. Many places which were recently Missionary ground now sustain their own ministrations, and contribute to add new domains to the territories of our Missionary Church. These

transitions from domestic Missions to regular Circuits, and from moral wildernesses to Missionary fields, are largely witnessed in our thirty-seven Missions to the White settlements in Upper Canada; and a corresponding improvement is observable in nearly all of our eleven Missions among the Indian tribes. A number of conversions from Heathenism to Christianity has taken place in the course of the year; and the poor Indian converts are not less characterised by liberality, than by devotion, in contributing of their penury to support schools and spread the Gospel among their countrymen. With the approval of the Government, they have set apart several hundred pounds *per annum* of their annuities, for the establishment and support of Industrial Schools for their children, from the operations of which we have reason to anticipate the most beneficial and permanent results.

It is gratifying to be able to observe, that while the Government is evincing a disposition to place our elementary and University system of public education upon a Christian basis, such as we can cordially approve and support, His Excellency, LORD ELGIN, has evinced the most lively interest in our Missions among the Indians, and shown the utmost readiness to co-operate with us, and further our exertions for their improvement in every way in his power.

Our present Conferential session has been marked by a more than ordinary unction of the Holy Spirit; so much so, that, with scarcely an exception, our successive daily sittings have proved means of spiritual grace, as well as means of transacting ecclesiastical business. The Lord God is indeed among us; we are one in heart and in aim,—one in faith, in prayer, and in labour; and we verily believe the Lord and His Spirit will go forth with us, qualifying us for, and giving us great prosperity in, our work.

The interest of our proceedings has been greatly increased by the presence of the Representative of the Methodist Episcopal Church in the United States, the REV. DR. BANGS,—the historian of Methodism in America, and the founder of some of its most important institutions,—a man who, nearly fifty years since, was converted and called into the Methodist ministry in this Province,—who laboured several years here with great self-sacrifice and success,—and who now, in the eventide of his long ministerial career, returns to us, finding us multiplied from Six to nearly Two Hundred Ministers, and, unimpaired himself in mental power, and mature in the perfection of Christian love, thrilling our hearts with details of early itinerancy in Canada, cheering us with the statements of the spread of the work in the United States, and edifying us in the ministrations of the word.

It has also been our privilege, during our present session, to set apart no less than Fifteen young men to the full work of the Ministry,—young men who have fulfilled their four years' probation in a manner the most satisfactory and honourable; and who,

from their health, qualifications, and fervent devotedness to their glorious work, give delightful promise of extensive usefulness. We magnify the Lord, that the workmen are multiplying amongst us as the work is spreading; and it is our earnest prayer and firm purpose, by Divine aid, that both the one and the other may be distinguished by those elements of character, and that spirit of simplicity, love, joy, holiness, activity, and power, which marked the developments of primitive Methodism and apostolic Christianity, and which alone will enable us to perform our vows and accomplish our heavenly mission.

It is with no ordinary pleasure we announce to you, honoured Fathers and Brethren, that our beloved and gifted Brother, the REV. DR. RYERSON, will appear at your next Conference, as our Representative. In commending him to your fraternal regards, we bear testimony to the uniform and ceaseless devotedness with which he has laboured to promote the interests of the Wesleyan Church in this Province. Nor have we, as a community, been the sole partakers of advantages resulting from his learning and talents: Canada West is under great obligation to our esteemed Brother and fellow-labourer, for her religious rights and liberties, and especially for the educational system, pervaded by the genius and spirit of Christianity, which, under his able and judicious superintendency, is becoming matured throughout the whole land. Whilst conveying to you an assurance of the sincere and profound esteem we cherish towards the Parent Body, we are certain it will add much to his own happiness to mingle again, in England, with the leaders of our beloved Israel, who exert so potent an influence over the social and eternal destinies of vast portions of the human family.

We again repeat, honoured Fathers and Brethren, the assurance of our esteem and affection for yourselves personally, and the hallowed doctrines and principles of our common Methodism; and we beg to express our heartfelt thanks for your generous co-operation and assistance in the vast work in which we are engaged,—a work to which we consecrate ourselves anew, and in which we are resolved, by the grace of God, to live and die. We salute you in our hearts; and we fondly anticipate, at our next Conference, the presence and counsels of one of our venerated Fathers from the Parent Body, “whose praise is in all the churches.”

While we entreat a continued interest in your prayers and co-operation, we devoutly implore the richest blessings of peace and unity, holiness and prosperity, upon the whole family of our *Wesleyan* Methodism at home and abroad.

Signed by order and in behalf of the Conference of the Wesleyan-Methodist Church in Canada, at Brockville, Upper Canada, June 12th, 1850.

A. HURLBURT, *Secretary.*

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health of our beloved Brother will be speedily recruited, his valuable life long continued, and his various labours abundantly owned of God. We are deeply impressed with the importance of Victoria College, in relation not only to the cause of education in your rapidly-improving country, but on account of the beneficial influence which it is likely to exercise on the formation of the character of the Wesleyan youth of the Province. We shall be at all times ready to co-operate with you in the adoption of such measures as may best promote the great purposes for which it is established; and in this view, should the state of Dr. Richey's health permit, we shall cheerfully accede to any arrangement which may so associate him with that institution, as to secure his assistance in giving a more enlarged and systematic theological training to candidates for your ministry in connexion with its operations.

On personal and public grounds it would have afforded us much satisfaction to welcome Dr. RYERSON as your Representative, if his important official duties had allowed our honoured Brother to visit England at the present time. We are deeply sensible of the valuable services which Dr. RYERSON's talents and influence enabled him to render in removing those causes of difference which formerly separated us, and in restoring the state of things which now happily exists in Western Canada. At some future period we trust we shall see him among us in that important relation which it was your intention that he should sustain in our present Assembly. In accordance with the Minute of your Special Committee, duly communicated to us, your former President, Dr. ALDER, has taken the place of Dr. RYERSON, and faithfully attended to your affairs.

We are truly grateful to learn that the excellent services rendered by the Rev. ENOCH WOOD, our General Superintendent of Missions, continue to be acceptable to you, as they are to us; and that he enjoys your full and undiminished confidence. In testimony of our affectionate esteem for Mr. Wood, we appoint him President of your next Conference; cherishing the hope, meanwhile, that at another anniversary of your Meeting we shall be able, as we regret we are not now able, to secure the attendance of one of the senior members of the Parent Conference. Our faithful and beloved Brother, the Rev. JOHN RYERSON, is re-appointed Co-Delegate.

Signed on behalf and by order of the Conference,

JOHN BEECHAM, D.D., *President*,
JOHN HANNAH, D.D., *Secretary*.

City-Road Chapel, London, August, 1850.

APPENDIX.

I.

DECLARATION OF WESLEYAN MINISTERS.

WE, the undersigned Wesleyan Ministers, deem it a duty to make known our convictions and purposes in relation to the leading questions which are at present agitated in some parts of our Connexion. They who have voluntarily placed themselves under our pastoral care, that they may enjoy those religious advantages which the system handed down to us from our fathers affords, have a right to expect this from us; and, however painful may be the occasion which renders it necessary, we do not shrink from its fulfilment.

1. 1. We cannot do this, however, without first pronouncing such an agitation as the present one to be altogether opposed to the spirit of our holy religion, and to the unequivocal dictates of the word of God. Slander and falsehood are distinctly forbidden. They are, with a plainness which admits no possibility of mistake, declared to be as contrary to the great law of love, as sins of the flesh are contrary to the great law of evangelical purity. In the sight of God they occasion the same guilt, and are equally destructive of the Christian character and position.

2. The agitation is as un-Methodistical as it is un-Christian. There are provisions in our system for the redress of any real grievances, and for the suggestion of any practical improvements which circumstances may show to be safe and desirable. But, instead of taking this constitutional course, the appeal has been made to the public at large; not only to members of other Churches, who cannot be supposed to have any sympathy with our peculiar principles and usages, and who in many instances do not even understand them; but also to what the agitators themselves would acknowledge to be "the world." And appeals are made to them on such principles only as worldly men can understand. The objects of ministerial discipline and of Christian communion are obviously beyond the reach of worldly appreciation; and therefore, by an assumed analogy of civil proceedings and social customs, has it been vainly sought to procure the condemnation of decisions founded on a higher law, and having respect to objects altogether different from those which worldly society contemplates.

3. Nor is the manner in which this is done by any means to be overlooked. It forms one of the darkest features of the case. It is, in the worst sense of the term, revolutionary. It tends directly to confusion and anarchy. It is the endeavour to procure the redress of alleged grievances in the Church by popular clamour and excitement, superseding the investigation of the subject by the regularly constituted authorities, overruling all order and law, and

requiring the Ministers of Christ passively to receive as their rule of action the dictates of promiscuous and impassioned assemblies, avowedly hearing only one side of the case. This is not merely injurious to Christian discipline: it is absolutely destructive of it.

For such reasons, as well as for others that might be adduced, the Undersigned deeply deplore the agitation, decidedly protest against it, and affectionately warn all towards whom they sustain the pastoral relation to take heed that they give it no countenance.

II. The Undersigned will now refer to the objects which this agitation seeks to obtain.

1. And they advert, in the first place, to those *Organic Changes* which are now so openly demanded. These, though not at the very first brought forward, yet were so soon proposed as to leave no doubt respecting the original views of some among the leading agitators, and their wishes to introduce into Methodism principles totally at variance with those which Mr. Wesley was led to adopt,—and which he not only committed to his successors in religious confidence that they would preserve them inviolate, but left binding on them by a legal instrument which they cannot nullify. By the Deed of Declaration enrolled in Chancery, the full validity of which has been acknowledged by the highest Courts in the land, Mr. Wesley has so fixed the constitution of the Conference, that it must always consist, as he declares it had “always heretofore consisted,” of the Ministers of the Connexion. On this foundation, that the Conference shall consist of Ministers alone, does Methodism, as a system acknowledged by law, completely rest. On this condition is the whole amount of Chapel-property held. Departure from this would throw all into inextricable confusion. It is not in the power of the Conference, therefore, to alter this its exclusively ministerial character. Were the Conference to cease to be what the Deed of Declaration describes, all its rights to the sole use of the chapels, for the purpose of preserving them to the Connexion, would at once and absolutely cease. The admission of Lay-Delegates, therefore, is legally impracticable.

But, further: Were the case in this respect otherwise, there are religious objections to the proposed scheme of Lay-Delegation; and these we cannot but feel to be of the gravest kind. For the full and fair exertion of Lay-influence in all matters temporal and financial, we have cheerfully made provision by supplementary Regulations respecting the discussion of such matters in *Mixed Committees*;—and, as to New Legislation, there are important checks and securities provided by existing Rules. But there are *spiritual* and *ecclesiastical* duties, which are confided to us as men called of God to sustain the chief responsibility in His Church, and which we cannot share with others. Mr. Wesley had seen a great work arise by God's blessing on his labours. For the
 nce and extension of that work he made provision, by

committing the purity of the ministry in charge to the Conference. This sacred trust has descended to successive generations of Ministers. As such, the Undersigned now hold it. They did not frame Methodism. They received it, on the solemn pledge given to God and His church that they would maintain it. They are not at liberty to change it, in any of its fundamental principles. On the system which they have thus received, the Divine blessing has always rested. They are bound, therefore, by all obligations, human and divine, to be faithful to the pledges they have given, and to preserve their trust inviolate. If some additional regulations for the more effectual working of the system had been sought, consistent with the full and unweakened application of the principle laid down by Mr. Wesley, the case would have been different; but now that the principle itself is assailed, the Undersigned deem it their duty to renew the unequivocal declaration of their adherence to it, and their firm resolution, by the help and blessing of God, to maintain it themselves unimpaired, and to deliver it over unimpaired into the hands of their successors, requiring from them the same pledges of fidelity that were given by the Undersigned themselves to their predecessors.

2. The Undersigned must also firmly adhere to the great principles involved in the Explanatory Declaration of 1835,—namely, that to the Conference alone belongs the determination of the conditions on which ministerial recognition and fraternity are to be accorded; and that, for the proper exercise and discharge of this important function, it must possess the right, which it has exercised from the very beginning, of Personal Examination, whenever it shall judge it to be called for by the circumstances of the case. This, also, they regard as a portion of that ancient trust which they are bound to maintain, and which, as a part of the system of Methodism, they believe to be just and necessary.

3. And, lastly, they feel now obliged to declare, that they believe the restoration of the persons whom the Conference was reduced to the painful necessity of excluding from ministerial communion and recognition, to be, under existing circumstances, impossible. The original act of discipline was righteous and necessary. It was performed with reluctance, and not until it had become evident that longer forbearance was inconsistent with the peace of the Societies, and with that discipline and good order which the Conference was bound to maintain. But the subsequent conduct of these individuals must now be also taken into the account. The original offences have been repeated and aggravated. A course of reckless agitation, for the purpose of revolutionising the system, has been pursued. With men who avow such principles, who seek such objects, who employ such means, and who manifest such a spirit, the assailed body of Ministers, cannot possibly have any communion. The breach with *them* has become irreparable.

The Undersigned, having thus declared their deliberate opinion, cannot, however, conclude without thanking that great majority of the people of their pastoral charge who have remained tranquil, satisfied with the real benefits which they have derived from Methodism as at present constituted, and perfectly aware that the Ministers of the Connexion cannot possibly have any interest opposed to the spiritual prosperity of the church.

Nor must they omit to put the unwary on their guard. By plausible misrepresentations, these may be induced to join, for a time, in this unhappy course of agitation. What can they gain by it, but spiritual confusion and distress for themselves, with the certainty, if they persevere in the line of conduct on which they have been persuaded to enter, of their own SEPARATION from a system the spiritual advantages of which they and their families have so largely experienced,—and of a calamitous DIVISION in the Connexion, which Ministers, Trustees, and Leaders, as well as the people, must be anxious to avoid? Let them not expect that their Ministers will be led, through intimidation, to depart from the ground which in their conscience they believe to be right. Suspicions are plentifully expressed or insinuated, that many of them are adverse to the just rights and privileges of the people. They fearlessly deny it. They unequivocally declare that the privileges of the people are as sacred to them as the rights of the ministerial office; and that it is their determination to uphold both the one and the other in their mutual and corresponding relations. But, at the same time, they declare that, whatever may occur, they will not yield to menace. They have made their choice; and, by the help of God, they will abide by it. Never will they agree to mutilate or to alter the essential principles of that pure and simple constitution which, under God, was confided to them as a sacred deposit by Mr. Wesley.

It is in the hope that many will be encouraged, and some, at least, warned, that the Undersigned make this solemn declaration.

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 M'Elwain, George
 M'Garvey, William
 M'Kay, Colin
 M'Kay, Joseph W.
 M'Kenny, John
 Mackintosh, Andrew
 M'Kitrick, William
 M'Lean, John
 M'Lorinan, Thomas
 M'Millen, Gibson
 M'Mullen, Wallace
 M'Owan, John
 M'Owan, Peter
 Magee, George
 Mainwaring, Robert
 Male, Matthew T.
 Mallinson, Matthew
 Mann, John
 Mansie, Alexander
 Marsden, George
 Martin, John
 Martin, Richard
 Martin, Thomas
 Masaroon, Robert
 Mason, John
 Mather, George
 Mathews, John F.
 Maunder, George
 Maxwell, Richard
 Maxwell, Robert
 Mayer, James
 Meadmore, James
 Mearns, William
 Mellor, George B.
 Meredith, Thomas
 Merrill, Samuel
 Methley, James
 Meyer, Robert J.
 Midgley, Joseph
 Millar, Joseph
 Miller, James
 Millsom, George
 Milner, Joseph T.
 Mitchell, Benjamin G.
 Mitchell, James
 Molster, William
 Mollard, John
 Monkhouse, Thomas S.
 Montgomery, E.
 Mood, Joseph
 Moody, John F.
 Moody, Richard
 Moone, George
 Moore, Hugh
 Moore, John
 Moore, Roger
 Moorhouse, Joseph
 Morgan, Ebenezer
 Morgan, Elijah

Morgan, John
 Morley, John T.
 Morris, John
 Morris, Seth
 Morris, Thomas
 Morrison, George T.
 Morrow, Francis
 Mortimer, Joseph
 Morton, Jacob
 Morton, Robert
 Moss, Thomas
 Mottram, Joshua
 Moulton, Ebenezer
 Moulton, James E.
 Mowat, James
 Moxon, Thomas
 Moxon, Timothy R.
 Muff, John I.
 Mulloy, William
 Murdock, James
 Murray, Thomas
 Mycock, Josiah
 Nance, James
 Nash, John
 Naylor, Dixon
 Naylor, William
 Neale, Francis
 Needle, Henry
 Nelson, John, 1st
 Nelson, John
 Nelson, William T.
 Nesbitt, John
 Newstead, Robert
 Newton, Christopher
 Newton, John
 Newton, Robert
 Newton, Thomas
 Nicholson, John
 Nicholson, Joseph
 Nicklin, John
 Nightingale, Charles
 Nightingale, Thomas
 Noall, Simeon
 Noble, Arthur
 North, Charles
 North, George
 Norton, John H.
 Nowell, John, 1st
 Nowell, John, 2d
 Nye, Edward
 Odgers, James
 Officer, Joseph
 Oldfield, Edmund
 Oliver, John
 Olivier, Amice
 Oliver, Henry V.
 Orchard, Paul, sen.
 Orchard, Paul, jun.
 Osborn, George
 Osborn, James
 Osborne, Daniel
 Osborne, John
 Osborne, Thomas
 Overton, Jabez
 Owen, Henry
 Owen, Owen
 Owen, Robert
 Owens, William
 Padman, Thomas
 Palmer, Jabez
 Parker, William
 Parke, James
 Parke, John
 Parkinson, William
 Parry, Evan
 Parry, John
 Parsons, Humphrey
 Parsons, John
 Parsons, Peter
 Parsonson, William
 Partridge, Reuben

Paterson, George
 Patterson, James
 Payne, Frederick
 Payne, Joseph
 Payne, Thomas
 Pearce, Benjamin
 Pearce, John
 Pearson, John M.
 Pearson, Josiah
 Pearson, Thomas, 1st
 Pechey, Joseph
 Peck, William P.
 Pedley, Harry
 Pemberton, William
 Pengelly, John Carey
 Pennington, Thomas
 Perks, George T.
 Petch, Richard
 Phenix, Isaac, sen.
 Phenix, Isaac, jun.
 Phillips, John
 Philp, John
 Pickworth, Felix H.
 Piggott, John
 Piggott, William
 Pilcher, Jesse
 Pilley, James
 Pollinger, Henry
 Pope, Henry, 2d
 Pope, William H.
 Portrey, Joseph
 Poanet, Leonard
 Potts, Charles B.
 Potts, Francis B.
 Povah, Charles
 Powell, William, 1st
 Powell, William, 2d
 Powis, Henry
 Pratten, Joseph
 Prescott, Peter, sen.
 Prescott, Peter, jun.
 Prest, Charles
 Pretty, Joseph
 Price, Henry
 Prichard, Richard
 Pridham, Nicholas C.
 Puddicombe, Alexander
 Pugh, Evan
 Pugh, Theophilus
 Punshon, William M.
 Quick, William A.
 Raby, John
 Radcliffe, Charles
 Radcliffe, William T.
 Railton, Lancelot
 Randerson, John
 Ranson, Henry
 Ranyell, George
 Rathbone, James
 Rattenbury, John
 Rawlings, Charles
 Rawson, John
 Ray, James
 Ray, Richard
 Raynar, Joseph
 Rayner, Moses
 Rayner, Thomas A.
 Reece, Richard
 Rees, John
 Rees, Robert
 Reilly, William
 Relph, John
 Renier, John
 Rennard, Andrew
 Rennison, William
 Reynolds, John, 1st
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 Richards, Evan
 Richards, John, 1st
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 Richards, John L.

Richardson, Henry
 Richardson, Thomas
 Richey, Matthew
 Ricketts, William
 Ridgeway, Thomas
 Ridler, Christopher
 Ridsdale, John S.
 Rigby, Thomas
 Rigg, James H.
 Rigg, John
 Riley, Calverley
 Ritchie, Charles B.
 Roadhouse, John
 Roberts, Benjamin
 Roberts, James
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 Roberts, John, 2d
 Roberts, John W.
 Roberts, Joseph
 Roberts, Richard
 Robin, Daniel
 Robinson, George
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 Robinson, Samuel W.
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 Rodham, Thomas M.
 Rodman, William
 Roebuck, George
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 Rogers, Thomas
 Rogers, William R.
 Rogerson, Thomas
 Rossell, John
 Rosser, James
 Rouch, William W.
 Rought, Jabez
 Rouse, Nathan
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 Rowe, Samuel
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 Rowland, Thomas
 Rowlands, William
 Rule, William H.
 Russell, Edward
 Russell, George
 Ryan, John, 1st
 Ryan, John, 2d
 Rymer, Richard
 Sackett, Edward
 Salt, Matthew
 Samuel, Peter
 Sanders, John L.
 Sanders, William
 Sanger, Joseph T.
 Sargent, William H.
 Saul, John
 Saunders, John
 Savage, Thomas
 Scholes, James
 Scott, George, 1st
 Scott, George, 2d
 Scott, John
 Scott, Robinson
 Scott, Uriah
 Scott, William
 Scurrah, Ralph
 Seccombe, William
 Sedgwick, John
 Sergeant, Richard
 Shackleton, William
 Sharland, Peter
 Sharman, John
 Sharpe, William
 Shaw, James
 Shaw, Thomas
 Shaw, William, 2d
 Shearman, William

Sheers, Thomas
 Sheldon, Thomas
 Shelton, Edward
 Sherwell, Robert
 Shipham, John
 Shipman, John
 Shoar, James
 Short, Thomas
 Shovelton, Wright
 Shrewsbury, Wm. J.
 Sibly, Nicholas
 Simmons, John
 Simmons, Samuel
 Simon, John
 Simpson, Joseph
 Simpson, Samuel
 Simpson, William
 Skidmore, John
 Skidmore, William J.
 Slack, Benjamin
 Slater, Barnard
 Slater, William P.
 Sleep, William
 Sleight, William
 Slight, Benjamin
 Slight, Frederick
 Slugg, Thomas
 Smalles, Richard
 Smallwood, Henry
 Smart, John
 Smedley, John
 Smeeth, James
 Smetham, Richard
 Smith, Benjamin
 Smith, George, 1st
 Smith, George, 3d
 Smith, Gervase
 Smith, John, 1st
 Smith, John, 2d
 Smith, Thomas W.
 Smith, Thornley
 Smith, William, 1st
 Smithson, John
 Spencer, Joseph
 Spencer, William
 Spenseley, Calvert
 Squance, Thomas H.
 Staley, Henry J.
 Stamp, William W.
 Stanley, Jacob, sen.
 Stanley, Jacob, jun.
 Staton, Thomas
 Stead, Thomas
 Stephens, Francis
 Stephens, Frederick
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 Stephenson, William B.
 Stepney, Richard
 Stevens, John
 Stevenson, Humphrey
 Stevinson, William
 Steward, George
 Stewart, William
 Stinson, Joseph

Stirzaker, John
 Stokes, Edward
 Stokes, William
 Stokes, Thomas
 Storey, John C.
 Stott, James
 Stott, Ralph
 Strachan, Alexander
 Sturges, Edwin J.
 Sugden, James
 Sugden, William
 Sullivan, James
 Sumner, Edward
 Sumner, John P.
 Butch, James
 Sutcliffe, Joseph
 Sutton, Joseph
 Swallow, William
 Sykes, Joseph
 Symons, Mark
 Tabraham, Richard
 Talbot, Ebenezer R.
 Talbot, John
 Talbot, Theophilus
 Talboys, Thomas
 Tatham, Daniel S.
 Taylor, George
 Taylor, George C.
 Taylor, James, 1st
 Taylor, Lachlin
 Taylor, Michael C.
 Taylor, Samuel
 Taylor, William
 Taylor, William H.
 Telfer, Edward A.
 Thomas, Henry J.
 Thomas, James S.
 Thomas, John, 3d
 Thomas, John W.
 Thomas, Methuselah
 Thomas, William
 Thompson, Robert
 Thompson, Thomas
 Thorley, Edwin
 Thorneloe, William B.
 Thornton, William L.
 Timms, Samuel
 Timms, Thomas
 Tindall, John
 Tindall, Samuel
 Toase, William
 Tobias, James
 Tomkins, John
 Topham, James J.
 Totherick, Robert
 Tourgia, Philip
 Tovey, Ebenezer
 Toyne, Elijah
 Tracy, Richard T.
 Tranmer, F. T.
 Trethewey, H. B.
 Triffitt, Anthony
 Trueman, Samuel
 Tucker, Charles

Tucker, John
 Tucker, Joseph K.
 Turner, George, 1st
 Turner, George, 2d
 Turner, Thomas
 Turton, Charles G.
 Turton, Isaac
 Turvey, Jacob
 Twiss, Alexander
 Tyack, William D.
 Tyerman, Luke
 Vance, George
 Vane, John
 Vasey, Thomas
 Vaz, John
 Vercoc, Walter
 Ververs, William
 Vibert, Charles W.
 Vigis, Everit
 Vine, John
 Waddy, Benjamin B.
 Waddy, Richard
 Waddy, Samuel D.
 Wade, Joshua
 Walker, Edward
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 Walker, Thomas H.
 Walker, Thomas J.
 Wallace, Robert
 Waller, James
 Walsh, John
 Walter, John
 Walton, James
 Ward, Anthony
 Ward John, 1st
 Wardley, Samuel H.
 Warters, Edmund B.
 Waterhouse, Levi
 Waterhouse, William
 Watmough, Abraham
 Watson, Edward
 Watson, John
 Watson, Joseph
 Waugh, James S.
 Waugh, John
 Waugh, Thomas
 Weatherstone, John
 Webb, Thomas
 Webb, William, 1st
 Wedlock, William
 Weir, Alexander T.
 Welborne, William
 Wesley, Samuel
 West, Daniel
 West, Francis A.
 West, Joseph B.
 Westlake, Charles
 Wetherell, John
 Wevill, John
 Wheeler, James
 White, George F.

Whitehead, Joseph
 Whittingham, J. B.
 Wilcox, Henry
 Wilde, Samuel
 Wilkinson, Henry
 Wilkinson, Joseph T.
 Wilkinson, Peter
 Wilkinson, Samuel, 2d
 Wilkinson, Thomas
 Wilkinso, William
 Willan, William
 Willcox, Robert M.
 Williams, Charles
 Williams, Charles J.
 Williams, David
 Williams, Henry W.
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 Williams, William R.
 Willis, Charles
 Willis, John
 Wilson, James
 Wilson, J. Gilchrist
 Wilson, Jeremiah
 Wilson, John, 1st
 Wilson, John G.
 Wilson, John W.
 Wilson, Joseph
 Wilson, Maximilian
 Wilson, Stephen
 Wilson, William, 2d
 Wilson, William, 3d
 Wilson, William, 4th
 Winterburn, William
 Wiseman, Luke H.
 Withington, Thomas
 Wolfe, Charles, De
 Womersley, Joseph
 Wood, Benjamin
 Wood, John, 1st
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 Wood, Thomas S.
 Woodcock, Isaac
 Woodfin, Richard
 Woodrow, John
 Woolley, Frederick F.
 Woolmer, Charles E.
 Woolmer, Theophilus
 Worker, William
 Workman, John S.
 Worth, William
 Yardley, James
 Yeates, John T.
 Young, Henry
 Young, Robert
 Young, Samuel

II.

MINUTES AND RESOLUTIONS OF A SPECIAL DISTRICT-MEETING,

BEGUN IN THE MORNING CHAPEL, CITY-ROAD, ON TUESDAY, MARCH 26TH, AND CONTINUED BY SUCCESSIVE ADJOURNMENTS ON THE 27TH AND 28TH OF THE SAME MONTH, AND ON THE 4TH AND 11TH OF APRIL, 1850.

PRESENT: THE PRESIDENT OF THE CONFERENCE, THE REV. THOMAS JACKSON, IN THE CHAIR; AND A LARGE NUMBER OF THE MINISTERS STATIONED IN THE LONDON DISTRICT.

I. READ a Memorial, addressed to the President of the Conference, and signed by thirteen persons, holding the office of Trustee or Steward in the Third London Circuit:—Read, also, a Letter from the four Ministers of that Circuit. These documents contained, in substance, the following allegations:—

That an unrighteous agitation had been created, in several parts of the Circuit, by persons holding office in our Society, but known to be hostile to the system of Methodist discipline; and had been perpetuated by means of public Meetings, convened in direct violation of our existing Rules;—that the Quarterly Meeting of the Circuit had refused to elect as Steward any person to succeed their own nominee,—a man who had recently presided at a Meeting held for the purpose of promoting schemes of agitation, and who had publicly, as well as privately, expressed hostility to the constitution and laws of Methodism; that by the Leaders' Meetings of the Spitalfields and St. George's Societies, convened for the purpose of examining complaints alleged against members accused of violating our Rules, verdicts had been returned in direct contradiction of the evidence produced; indicating that those Meetings had exercised their solemn functions in a factious spirit; and further, that, as the result of these and other un-Christian proceedings, the cause of Christ was sustaining serious injury, the congregations attached to some of the Chapels were greatly lessened in numbers, and the peaceable and well-affected friends were aggrieved, and debarred from enjoying in quietness the privileges of Christian communion.

In confirmation of the complaints contained in the Memorial and Letter, the Rev. Peter Duncan, the Superintendent Minister, adduced a variety of facts, proving that the Circuit was in a deplorable state of disunion, and of opposition to all legitimate authority. He also specified various methods in which he had been obstructed in his attempts to discharge the duties imposed upon him as the Pastor of the Societies. The Colleagues of Mr. Duncan, and the Memorialists, made statements tending to establish the truth of the particulars reported in their application

to the President, and clearly proving that there exists in the Circuit a state of painful excitement, and of rebellion against the pastoral authority and jurisdiction of the Ministers.

II. After a patient and careful consideration of the evidence adduced in justification of these complaints, the Meeting is of opinion that, *prima facie*, a sufficient case is presented to call for the present investigation and interference. Bound by the law of the New Testament to care for the flock of Christ,—and intrusted by the Conference with power to decide and act, as to it may appear right and necessary, in an extraordinary emergency, such as that which is now shown to exist,—this Meeting cannot but feel deeply anxious to redress the existing grievances, and to restore peace and prosperity to the disturbed Circuit; while, at the same time, it is bound to use every constitutional means to preserve the vital and fundamental laws of our economy, and to protect that portion of our beloved people who justly complain of the present state of strife and discord, and who naturally look to us for sympathy and succour.

III. That the interference of the Special District-Meeting is absolutely required, is further apparent from the fact, that some of the individuals against whom complaints have been made, in addition to their unconstitutional conduct in their own Circuit, have been actively employed in originating, and in attempting to organize, a systematic opposition to the discipline of our Body; and have been guilty of overt acts, tending to subvert the constitution, and to destroy the peace, and eventually the existence, of this Branch of the Church of Christ, to the laws of which they have professed submission in the Lord. They are, at the present time, Members or Officers of a Committee, the avowed object of which, under the pretext of Wesleyan Reform, is the promotion of subversive changes in our system of discipline: they have also co-operated with others in convening, and have taken a prominent part in conducting, a Meeting of persons calling themselves “Delegates;” at which Meeting, measures were concerted with a view to an unrighteous disturbance of our Societies, and Resolutions passed in direct opposition to the essential and fundamental principles of our Connexion.

IV. On the grounds stated in the two preceding Resolutions, we are of opinion that a case has been made out to demand the prompt and vigorous application of an efficient remedy, and, therefore, to justify the exercise of those powers of salutary discipline with which the Conference has intrusted the Special District-Meeting. We are, nevertheless, unwilling to proceed to the adoption of any decisive measures, until every Christian attempt has been made to convince these erring brethren of their sin and danger in embarking in plans of agitation and discord; and to remind them that all persons who have voluntarily united them-

selves to our Community, are under moral obligation to observe its laws, and to refrain, so long as they remain within its pale, from disturbing its order and tranquillity. We therefore agree to request the attendance at this Meeting of the Leaders of the Spitalfields and St. George's Societies, in order to hear from them any explanations of the course of conduct they have pursued; and to endeavour, by kind expostulation and warning, to convince them of the evil and mischief consequent upon violating the order of the Church of Christ, and neglecting to "keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace." We agree to meet the Leaders of the Spitalfields Society to-morrow morning, (March 28th,) at ten o'clock; and those of the St. George's Society to-morrow evening, at five o'clock.

V. The Ministers of this District-Meeting, legally convened according to the Rules of 1797, (see Minutes of Conference, Vol. i., p. 378,) consider themselves to be invested by these Regulations with full powers to decide and act, as to them may seem right and necessary,—with a view to the restoration of peace on Christian and Methodistical principles, and to the preservation of whatsoever is vital and fundamental in our economy, by "*inquiring into the affairs*" of the Third London Circuit, "*with respect to Methodism*;" by "*redressing any grievances*" which may be found to exist; and by "*settling everything till the Conference*," to which, as the supreme and ultimate authority of the Connexion, any persons belonging to our Societies, who may deem themselves to be aggrieved by any acts of Discipline, have the right of appeal.

VI. The Members of the Special District-Committee, according to arrangement, met such of the Leaders of the two disturbed Societies as chose to attend, and listened to the statements and explanations which they were disposed to make with reference to the allegations of the Ministers and Memorialists. As the result of long investigation, we have great pain in recording our conviction that the various complaints and allegations have been substantiated.

We find, 1. That this Circuit is in a state of painful disturbance, occasioned principally by the divisive conduct of a few leading agitators. 2. That the Ministers, in endeavouring to carry out our constitutional discipline, have been thwarted by the two Leaders' Meetings, whose verdicts we consider to have been in direct contradiction of the evidence adduced. 3. That the Quarterly Meeting did refuse to elect any other person, as Steward, in the place of their own nominee,—a person who had, a short time before, occupied the chair at a Meeting held in the School-Rooms of the Stepney Independent Chapel, for the purpose of agitating the Circuit to seek "Wesleyan Reform." 4. That the leading agitators of this Circuit are Officers or Members of the "Corresponding Committee" at Exeter-Hall, and have been actively

employed in convening and conducting the Meeting of "Delegates." 5. That some of them have been speakers in Meetings, the object of which was to stir up our people to divisive and innovating proceedings.

The principal reasons assigned, by the persons who chose to address the District-Meeting, in vindication of the verdict they had returned, were the following:—

1. They objected to the character of the evidence adduced by Mr. Duncan in support of his complaints. This was partly drawn from the columns of the "Wesleyan Times" Newspaper,—but entirely consisting of Official Documents and Advertisements, many of which proceeded from parties calling themselves "The London Corresponding Committee," and were authenticated by the signatures of the Secretaries of that Committee. The plea for rejecting such evidence was, that the Paper had been denounced as unworthy of credit, and, therefore, (though they did not *deny* the authenticity of the documents,) ought not to have been adduced in evidence against an accused brother. It was nevertheless admitted, that the person charged with having presided at the Stepney Anti-Wesleyan Meeting, distributed among the Leaders assembled at Spitalfields printed copies (bearing his name) of the speech which, it was notorious, and was even admitted by one of his Friends who had heard him, he had delivered from the Chair on that occasion;—and further, that, at the Quarterly Meeting of the Circuit, the offender had not only allowed the fact now charged against him, but had also asked for a vote of indemnity.

2. They alleged that, in giving their verdict, they did not confine their attention to the evidence adduced, or adjudicate as to the guilt or innocence of the accused on *that* ground alone; but that they acted under the apprehension, that, in case of returning a verdict of "guilty," the result would be the exclusion of the accused from Society. They refused to pronounce a verdict which, they presumed, would be followed by such consequences.

3. It was admitted that the trial of Mr. T. Hunt at the St. George's Meeting was regarded rather as a trial of strength between the two parties in the Circuit, than as a trial of principle; and an intimation was given, that, in similar circumstances, they should not reverse the verdict.

[N.B. At the commencement of the interview with the Spitalfields Leaders, Mr. Gandy (the person who had been tried, and acquitted by them) made several unseemly attempts to interrupt the order of the proceedings; and, when (after the President had briefly stated the reasons for requesting the attendance of the Leaders) opportunity was afforded him to give any explanations as to his own conduct,—instead of such explanations or apologies, he protested rudely against the whole proceedings of the Special

District-Meeting; but especially, because he had not had sufficient notice. It was replied, that the subject of discussion was not new, and that the Meeting could not prolong its sittings. But after renewing his protest, he immediately withdrew.—Several of Mr. Gandy's friends were so convinced of the impropriety of his interruptions, that they thought it right to apologise for his conduct after he had left the Meeting.

In the evening Meeting, while the St. George's Leaders were present, the following protest, signed—*Hildreth Kay, Joseph Chipchase, James Bussell, Jacob Nicholls* (all present in the Meeting)—was forwarded to the President:—"We utterly deny all right, power, or authority, either in the Methodist Conference, or in any District-Meeting, to interfere in the Local Affairs of this Circuit, or to try, suspend, or expel any Local Officer or Member of Society." Shortly after this, these individuals retired, accompanied by several other Leaders; and thus refused all intercourse with the Meeting.

We deem it right further to record in our Minutes,—in order to show by what means the Meeting of "Delegates" has been convened,—that a Trustee present in the morning Meeting voluntarily avowed himself a "Delegate," and said, that he had been nominated in the first instance by the "Corresponding Committee," sitting in Exeter-Hall; but that, being unwilling to be a party to what appeared to him to be a deception, he had asked a few persons in the Society to which he belonged to give him an appointment; and that, consequently, eight persons, some of whom were Leaders, had requested him to attend the Meeting of Delegates. The Society Steward, who was present, expressed his astonishment that he had never heard of the Leaders' Meeting at which the said "Delegate" received his appointment!]

VII. This Meeting further finds, in the great evils which exist in the disturbed Circuit, and which are plainly shown by the result of these interviews with the official members, ample reason to justify the request of the Memorialists and Ministers for the interference of the President. The interests of Christ's cause, and the claims of our peaceful and well-affected people, demand that steps be immediately taken for remedying these evils; and, as there is no prospect of meeting the case in the ordinary mode of administering the discipline of the Body, the full powers of a Special District-Meeting ought to be forthwith applied for this purpose. (See Minutes, Vol. i., pp. 378, 379.)

VIII. That it is the solemn conviction of this Meeting, that Messrs. Gandy, Hunt, Joseph Chipchase, and Hildreth Kay, have forfeited the privilege of membership in the Wesleyan-Methodist Society:—the conduct of these parties having been notoriously and rebelliously hostile to our long-established Connexional regulations.

IX. That this Meeting is nevertheless ready to afford to these four brethren every opportunity of retracing their steps; and, therefore, before proceeding in the exercise of its constitutional power to acts of discipline, is willing to hear any reasons they are prepared to allege in arrest of judgment; again to afford them its pastoral exhortations; and to ascertain from them whether they will engage henceforth to abstain from all agitation,—and, if not giving up their own opinions on the controverted points, at least to acquiesce in the long-established discipline of the Connexion.

X. That, failing these endeavours to reclaim the offenders, the Special District-Meeting will be under the painful necessity of dealing with the parties as the 8th Resolution indicates.

XI. The following communication was addressed by the Secretaries to each of the four brethren, Messrs. Gandy, Hunt, Chipchase, and Kay:—

DEAR BROTHER,

WE are directed by the Special District-Meeting, convened for the purpose of inquiring into the affairs of the Third London Circuit, and of endeavouring to allay the agitation which unhappily exists there, to inform you that, after a patient and lengthened consideration of all the circumstances, it is their solemn and painful conviction, that you have forfeited the privilege of membership in the Methodist Society. This conviction rests on the fact, that your conduct is deemed to have been notoriously hostile to our long-established Connexional discipline.—The Meeting is, however, ready to afford you every opportunity of retracing your steps; and, before proceeding, in the exercise of its constitutional power, to acts of discipline, is willing to hear any reasons you may be prepared to allege in arrest of judgment, to afford you its pastoral exhortations, and to ascertain from you, whether you will engage henceforth to abstain from all agitation,—and, if not giving up your own opinions on controverted points, at least will acquiesce in the disciplinary regulations of the Connexion.—We are desirous to inform you, that the District-Meeting will re-assemble on Thursday next, April 11th, in the Morning Chapel, City-Road, and will be happy to see you there at twelve o'clock.

We are, dear Brother,

Yours affectionately,

JOHN FARRAR,
W. L. THORNTON, } *Secretaries.*

About the time appointed, the four brethren appeared in the District-Meeting; and after the President had referred to the reasons of their having been invited, and had distinctly contradicted the report of their actual expulsion,—a report which had been industriously spread through the Circuit by means of a printed Circular,—Mr. Gandy read the following paper:—

We do not come here to receive further insult, nor to debate any matter with this District-Meeting, because it has no power to remedy the great evils which now agitate the Connexion. The duty of this Meeting is, to go back to the Conference, and tell them they have broken the covenant, and roused the Methodist people: and we deliver you the proof of this fact in the all but

unanimous "official declaration" of the Third London Circuit, and which will be speedily followed by many others.

WILLIAM GANDY,
THOMAS HUNT,
JOSEPH CHIPCHASE,
HILDRETH KAY.

Spitalfields Circuit, April 11th, 1850.

Mr. Gandy immediately placed on the table a document, signed by a number of Trustees, Stewards, Leaders, and Local Preachers, from which the following are quotations:—"We utterly deny any right, power, or authority in a District-Meeting, whether specially called or otherwise, by the laws of Wesleyan Methodism, to interfere with the local affairs of this or any other Circuit or Society; or to try, suspend, or expel any local officer or member, and that any such interference is a direct breach of the treaty, and covenant, and code of laws agreed upon in 1797. And we solemnly and affectionately enjoin and warn all our Leaders, Local Preachers, Trustees, and Stewards, neither to attend, nor to hold any communication with, the above-mentioned, or any such Special District-Meeting that may hereafter assemble on such matters or affairs, or with any member thereof."—"Whatever acts of discipline any District-Meeting may pretend to have exercised upon our beloved brethren, Messrs. Gandy, Hunt, Kay, and Chipchase, or may assume to exercise over any other officer, or member of our Society, we recognise them, and shall continue to recognise them as members of our Society, and as still holding the offices, whether in the Circuit or Societies, to which they may have been respectively appointed; and we further solemnly engage and pledge ourselves to oppose and resist any attempt which may be made to enforce any such illegal and unconstitutional disciplinary acts, by every means in our power."

The accused brethren immediately withdrew from the Meeting, making no reply to the President's inquiry, whether they had anything more to communicate.

XII. It was then resolved, that, inasmuch as these four brethren have avowed their hostility to the plainest laws of Methodism,—have renounced our Connexional principle,—and are endeavouring to constitute our "united Societies" independent churches; and inasmuch as they have further refused all communication with the members of this Meeting, jointly or separately, and have thus virtually disowned our Connexion, and separated themselves from it,—the former Resolutions in their case be now solemnly confirmed. In addition, the Meeting considers that no alternative is now left to it, but to direct the Superintendent to withhold their Society-tickets.

XIII. After a careful perusal of the document just laid on the table, we feel compelled to express our great surprise that the assertion should be boldly put forth, by any persons who have

been united in church-fellowship with us, that this Meeting has no right to interfere in any way in the affairs of the Third London Circuit; seeing that such interference in cases of emergency is distinctly provided for in the Resolutions of the Conference in 1797; which the agitators often profess to quote, and to which previous reference has been made in these Resolutions. (See Resolution V.)

XIV. In the opinion of this Meeting, the persons who have signed the Memorial, presented by the four individuals above-named, have acted in such a manner as to show themselves disqualified, should they persist in the maintenance and propagation of the views therein expressed, for holding office in our Society, and even for retaining the privilege of membership. We cannot for a moment suppose that this step has been the result of "mature deliberation," but charitably hope that it is rather the error of a season of excitement, which calm reflection, a more adequate knowledge of the matters in dispute, and a prayerful study of the urgent and impressive admonitions of the New Testament, may serve to rectify. In the earnest hope that they may be brought to a better mind, the Meeting will defer any judgment in those cases which are not otherwise met in the Resolutions now adopted, till the time to which this Meeting shall stand adjourned.

XV. With respect to the Societies of Bow, Stratford, Salem, and Jubilee-Street, the Meeting is pained to learn that, amidst the prevailing excitement, and under the guidance of misleading men, several of the members have been induced to commit themselves to measures of strife; and that, in the season of temptation, they appear to have forgotten the religious and spiritual purposes of our union. We agree that the Ministers of the Circuit shall visit them individually, and with all possible care shall remind them of their obligations and duties as members of our Society; shall warn them of the evil of their course of conduct; and, while bearing long and dealing tenderly with the ill-informed and misled, shall faithfully inform them that they can only retain their connexion with the Methodist Society by consenting to maintain a Christian spirit, and to walk according to our well-considered Rules.

XVI. That this Meeting has experienced the deepest grief in finding that many of our simple-minded people have been seriously misled; but expresses the earnest hope that, after careful and unprejudiced reflection on their part, and by pastoral diligence on the part of their Ministers, they will be recovered from a state of distrust and jealousy, and will at no distant period return to their former confidence. It is consoled by the assurance that so many of the members in this Circuit are sound and well-principled in their attachment to Methodism as it is; and that they abound in love to their highly-valued, deeply-tried, and much-misrepresented

Ministers, as well as to their faithful Leaders. To these friends, **respectively**, it returns its grateful thanks ; and exhorts them, while **acting** a firm and decided part in the maintenance of their cause, **to show** all possible kindness to those who differ from them, and to **exhibit** the gentle, meek, and forbearing spirit of the benevolent religion of Jesus Christ. It is also thankful to recognise the hand of God in preserving the great majority of our Circuits from **agitation and strife**, and in defeating, in so signal a manner, the **plans and schemes** of designing men. It rejoices in the success with which it has pleased the Head of the church to crown the labours of His servants in various parts of our Connexion, and cherishes the confident hope that the Spitalfields Circuit will be shortly favoured, as heretofore, with such gracious visitations of the Holy Spirit as shall heal all divisions, restore confidence and union, and result in the establishment and consolidation of our beloved Methodism, and in the extension and prosperity of the cause of Christ in this important locality.

XVII. That this Special District-Meeting, at the close of this sitting, be not dissolved, but adjourned till Monday, May 13th, —to meet at twelve o'clock.

THOMAS JACKSON, *President of the Conference,*
Chairman of the District.

JOHN FARRAR, } *Secretaries.*
 W. L. THORNTON, }

The President having left the chair, it was taken by the Rev. Dr. Bunting ; after which it was unanimously resolved,—

That the very cordial thanks of this Meeting be presented to the President of the Conference, the Rev. Thomas Jackson, for the Christian and courteous manner in which he has conducted its important business ; and for the great ability and wisdom which he has displayed in guiding its decisions. The Meeting rejoices that, in this year of difficulty and trial, the Head of the church has given to the Methodist Societies, by the all but unanimous suffrages of his brethren, a Minister so admirably qualified, by his firm and Christian spirit, by his intimate acquaintance with the system of Methodism, and by the devout and hallowing influences by which his various private and public services are accompanied, for the honourable and responsible duties of President of the Methodist Conference.

ADJOURNED MEETING.

May 13th, 1850.

Resolved unanimously,—

XVIII. That, in order to give effect to Resolution XII., Mr. Duncan be now instructed to appoint Leaders to the classes lately

met by Messrs. Gandy and Chipchase, and to give public intimation of such appointment.

XIX. That in regard to the memorialists mentioned in Resolution XIV., the question of dealing with them be further adjourned, with a view to additional pastoral remonstrance, and in earnest hope that many of them will be recovered from their serious error. This hope is encouraged by statements to-day received from the Ministers of the Circuit, that some of the memorialists signed in haste, and with imperfect knowledge of the document presented to them; while it appears, also, that others whose names are appended did not sign for themselves. The Meeting trusts that most (if not all) of the parties will be induced, by a regard to the peace and unity of our Body, and to their own Christian obligations, to undo, to the utmost possible extent, the proceedings to which they have rashly committed themselves. If any of them should unhappily persist in acting on the erroneous views expressed in the Memorial, and in setting themselves against our established discipline, this Meeting feels it imperative to warn these of their inevitable removal, in that case, at least from the offices which they sustain in the Wesleyan-Methodist Society. The Meeting is bound, at the same time, most strongly to reaffirm the opinion conveyed in Resolution XIV., and solemnly to avow its determination to maintain the great principles of our Connexional polity.

XX. That this Meeting deeply sympathises with Mr. Duncan and his colleagues in the very trying circumstances in which they have been placed, and applauds their fidelity.

XXI. That the Special District-Meeting do now adjourn *sine die*.

THOMAS JACKSON, *President of the Conference,*
Chairman of the District.

JOHN FARRAR,
W. L. THORNTON, } *Secretaries.*

III.

ACCOUNTS OF THE CONTINGENT FUND FOR THE
YEAR ENDING AT THE CONFERENCE OF 1850.

1.—ORDINARIES.

CIRCUITS.	Nos.	Yearly Collection.			Grants.			July Collection.		
		£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
<i>I. London District.</i>										
First London.....	2797	79	0	0				43	6	9
Richmond.....	120	7	16	6				3	15	6
Uxbridge.....	121	1	10	0				2	5	0
Second London.....	1646	45	0	0				20	0	6
Third London and Thames Mission.....	2344	32	8	7				29	4	4
Fourth London.....	1731	33	0	0				20	12	8
Fifth London.....	2057	48	0	0				34	11	2
Sixth London.....	2217	27	17	3	40	0	0	35	2	3
Seventh London.....	1311	19	0	0				12	10	0
Eighth London.....	1648	62	4	0				37	8	3
Deptford.....	721	14	10	0				9	10	8
Woolwich.....	626	12	12	0				8	1	3
Hammersmith.....	638	18	10	0				16	10	0
Croydon.....	335	7	9	0	27	0	0	6	0	0
Barking, &c.....	269	2	0	0	36	0	0	3	14	0
Leyton.....	86	2	0	0	27	0	0	2	12	0
Ware, &c.....	200	4	11	9	58	0	0	4	7	1
Cambridge.....	475	5	10	0				8	10	0
Windsor.....	301	9	0	0	34	0	0	9	1	6
Chelmsford.....	231	5	10	0	38	0	0	3	16	4
Maldon.....	226	3	13	0	47	0	0	3	7	0
Colchester.....	693	10	0	0				11	1	9
Manningtree.....	1020	20	0	0	15	0	0	7	17	6
Ipswich.....	563	5	10	0	42	0	0	4	15	0
Hastings.....	440	10	0	0	35	0	0	10	10	10
Sevenoaks.....	335	8	5	6				7	7	0
Tunbridge-Wells.....	526	12	12	0	35	0	0	13	9	9
Lewes, &c.....	171	4	0	0	30	0	0	3	15	0
Brighton.....	646	18	10	0				18	8	5
St. Alban's.....	570	8	0	0	59	0	0	7	0	0
Guildford, &c.....	245	7	10	0	135	0	0	6	15	0
Dorking, &c.....	92	2	6	6	110	0	0	1	10	0
Additional Subscriptions ..		122	6	1						
Totals.....	25401	670	2	2	768	0	0	406	16	6
<i>II. Bedford and Northamp- ton District.</i>										
Bedford and Ampthill	1092	22	0	0				16	5	0
Leighton-Buzzard.....	1110	18	10	0				10	5	0
Luton.....	974	18	0	0				13	13	0
Dunstable.....	1030	23	10	0				12	6	0

CIRCUITS.	Nos.	Yearly Collection.			Grants.			July Collection.		
		£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
St. Neot's	475	7	0	0				7	3	6
Biggleswade	525	7	0	0				9	0	0
Hitchin	220	4	0	0				4	5	0
Huntingdon	810	11	10	0	15	0	0	10	1	0
Northampton	1128	18	17	5				8	14	2
Towcester	490	5	0	0	28	0	0	3	3	0
Daventry	678	9	0	0	40	0	0	7	0	0
Newport-Pagnell	403	6	0	0	68	0	0	3	3	0
Higham-Ferrers	502	6	3	0				5	10	0
Wellingborough	437	5	0	0				3	9	6
Kettering	256	3	15	0	8	0	0	3	15	0
Market-Harborough	203	3	15	0	48	0	0	3	3	6
Chatteris	422	6	0	0	40	0	0	5	15	0
Oundle	288	5	16	0	33	0	0	2	14	0
Additional Subscriptions ..		6	8	11						
Totals	11043	187	5	4	280	0	0	129	5	8
III. Kent District.										
Canterbury	604	12	5	0	40	0	0	7	5	0
Faversham	495	10	7	6				6	6	2
Rochester	1166	24	13	0				10	2	0
Gravesend	493	12	2	0	40	0	0	12	15	2
Sheerness	343	5	17	3				4	0	0
Margate	731	20	13	0				14	12	4
Dover	828	22	0	0	40	0	0	18	18	1
Deal	255	7	0	0	19	0	0	4	0	0
Rye	460	9	9	0	47	0	0	6	6	8
Tenterden	386	6	12	10	58	0	0	5	2	9
Ashford	314	4	5	6	32	0	0	3	8	6
Sandhurst	700	10	0	0	11	0	0	7	0	0
Maidstone	438	7	17	5				6	12	0
Sittingbourne	295	4	7	2	14	0	0	3	4	4
Additional Subscriptions ..		8	5	6						
Totals	7508	165	15	2	301	0	0	109	13	0
IV. Norwich & Lynn District.										
Norwich	1218	8	5	0				6	4	0
Bungay	310	5	0	0	45	0	0	4	10	0
North-Walsham	710	5	0	0	30	0	0	4	11	0
Yarmouth	669	11	0	0				6	0	7
Lowestoff	400	8	0	0				4	10	0
Framlingham	432	2	1	0	45	0	0	2	11	0
Diss	602	8	4	3				6	15	0
New-Buckenham	521	7	6	5				3	8	5
Bury St. Edmund's	319	3	11	0	20	0	0	3	5	10
Holt	646	0	10	6				0	14	2
Lynn	550	10	0	0				6	0	0
Swaffham	756	2	0	0	16	10	0	2	2	0
Downham	659	4	0	0	40	0	0	3	2	3
Walsingham	700	10	8	10				6	5	0
Wisbeach	741	6	6	0				6	0	0
Thetford	606	10	5	0	40	0	0	7	0	0
Mildenhall	377	4	10	0	22	10	0	4	12	0
Ely	550	8	10	0	24	0	0	7	0	0
Additional Subscriptions by the Ministers		41	8	8						
Totals	10766	156	6	8	283	0	0	84	11	3

CIRCUITS.		Yearly Collection.			Grants.			July Collection.			
V. Oxford District.		Nos.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
Oxford	550	8	0	0				5	15	0	
High-Wycombe	540	7	16	0				4	10	0	
Witney	560	9	2	6	40	0	0	6	15	1	
Aylesbury	647	7	15	0				7	12	0	
Banbury	546	9	9	0				6	10	6	
Kington	275	4	12	6	15	0	0	2	11	6	
Newbury	621	15	2	6				11	1	2	
Reading	303	8	11	0	85	0	0	6	12	2	
Hungerford	762	13	0	0				9	13	0	
Watlington	219	2	18	0	21	16	9	3	2	0	
Thame	153	2	10	0	30	3	3	1	15	0	
Brackley	703	9	0	0	22	0	0	5	0	0	
Chipping-Norton	342	6	0	0	22	14	11	3	15	0	
Swindon	232	4	10	0	72	0	0	4	16	2	
Wantage	442	8	10	5	60	0	0	7	13	5	
Totals	6895	116	16	11	368	14	11	87	2	0	
VI. Portsmouth District.											
Portsmouth	905	26	0	0				15	4	10	
Gosport	162	3	16	0	61	0	0	2	10	7	
Salisbury	1216	9	6	9				10	0	0	
Poole	560	8	10	0	24	0	0	6	4	0	
Wimborne	350	7	10	0				5	0	0	
Newport, Isle of Wight ..	935	17	10	3				15	10	0	
Southampton, &c.	617	17	10	0	38	0	0	12	8	0	
Andover	382	6	0	0	76	0	0	2	3	0	
Chichester	146	4	0	0	41	0	0	5	1	8	
Ringwood	171	2	12	0	55	0	0	2	2	6	
Special Donations from Portsmouth Circuit		13	13	3							
Totals	5444	116	8	3	295	0	0	76	4	7	
VII. Guernsey District.											
Guernsey, English	448	14	0	0				4	16	10	
Guernsey, French	1049	13	5	0				6	0	0	
Alderney	73	2	5	0	32	0	0	0	5	0	
Jersey, English	460	13	0	0	40	0	0	4	15	2	
Jersey, French (St. Helier's)	912	14	0	0				7	3	0	
Jersey, French (St. Peter's)	408	5	0	0				2	7	0	
Totals	3350	61	10	0	72	0	0	25	7	0	
VIII. Devonport District.											
Devonport	1107	19	10	0				10	10	0	
Plymouth	1152	26	10	0				14	13	0	
Launceston	1090	18	0	0				6	1	0	
Holsworthy	536	7	5	0				2	15	0	
Kilhampton	430	5	15	0				3	0	0	
Liskeard	924	13	0	0	40	0	0	4	4	0	
Callington	640	8	0	0				5	10	0	
Tavistock	810	10	10	0	16	0	0	5	5	0	
Camelford	390	7	7	6	62	10	0	3	13	0	
Kingsbridge	303	6	0	0	26	0	0	5	10	0	
Brixham	197	3	0	0	75	0	0	3	12	0	
Ashburton	303	6	8	0	77	10	0	3	10	0	
Totals	7882	131	5	6	297	0	0	68	3	0	

CIRCUITS.	Nos.	Yearly Collection.			Grants.			July Collection.		
		£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
IX. Cornwall District.										
Redruth.....	2084	17	0	0				6	12	0
Camborne	2656	22	5	0				7	17	6
Falmouth	1180	19	0	0				7	10	0
Truro.....	1940	26	5	0				10	10	0
Gwennap	2184	10	10	0	40	0	0	3	0	0
St. Agnes	1267	9	9	0				4	3	0
St. Austle	1420	16	1	1	55	0	0	9	6	4
St. Mawes.....	341	5	5	0				2	16	0
Bodmin	856	15	0	0				5	12	0
St. Columb	741	6	5	0	20	0	0	3	1	6
Penzance	1640	31	6	6				12	17	4
St. Just	1721	26	10	0				6	15	0
St. Ives	800	14	3	0				5	7	0
Scilly Islands	112	4	0	0				2	10	0
Helstone	1751	13	15	0	40	0	0	8	0	0
Hayle	1200	15	0	0	26	0	0	6	0	0
Marazion	664	7	0	0	20	0	0	3	0	0
Totals	22557	258	14	7	201	0	0	104	17	8
X. Exeter District.										
Exeter	803	19	4	0				10	8	0
Crediton	84	1	11	0	54	0	0	1	10	6
Tiverton.....	327	5	7	0	16	0	0	5	16	0
Taunton, &c.....	650	15	3	0				8	5	0
Bridgewater	382	7	3	0	18	10	0	3	5	0
South-Petherton	382	6	2	6	50	0	0	4	8	6
Axminster.....	206	4	0	0	18	0	0	0	13	0
Budleigh-Salterton	266	4	10	0	25	10	0	3	1	0
Bridport.....	425	10	10	0	35	0	0	5	12	0
Barnstaple.....	501	8	14	0	35	0	0	7	4	0
South-Moulton.....	362	3	16	0	35	0	0	3	5	0
Bideford	698	9	10	0				6	10	0
Dunster.....	267	7	0	0				3	18	0
Oakhampton.....	222	3	11	10	42	0	0	2	5	0
Teignmouth	366	8	2	6	126	0	0	7	0	0
Totals	5941	114	4	10	455	0	0	73	1	0
XI. Bristol District.										
Bristol, North	2491	65	10	0				21	0	0
Bristol, South	1358	32	0	0				9	5	2
Kingswood	1246	9	4	0				4	18	7
Banwell.....	706	7	0	0	27	0	0	6	0	0
Stroud	559	9	10	0	49	0	0	7	10	0
Dursley	538	7	12	0	80	0	0	7	0	0
Downend	700	8	11	0	17	1	5	5	9	0
Gloucester.....	523	8	0	0	24	0	0	8	17	6
Tewkesbury	313	6	4	0	13	0	0	5	5	0
Cheltenham	710	26	0	0	40	0	0	16	6	1
Newport, Monmouth.....	960	16	0	0	35	0	0	9	7	3
Cardiff	390	11	0	0	51	0	0	7	6	8
Bridgend	190	4	2	6	22	0	0	3	1	5

CIRCUITS.	Nos.	Yearly Collection.			Grants.			July Collection.		
		£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
Monmouth	450	7	8	0	27	0	0	4	10	0
Abergavenny and Pontypool	1000	12	0	0				9	1	0
Ledbury and Forest of Dean	503	7	3	1	61	0	0	4	0	0
Hereford	330	5	12	6	37	0	0	4	0	0
Additional Subscriptions by Ministers and Stewards		24	3	6						
Totals	12967	267	0	7	483	1	5	132	17	8

XII. Bath District.

Bath	986	19	0	6				11	4	6
Bradford, Wilts.....	720	17	10	0				9	0	0
Midsomer-Norton.....	1810	16	0	0				10	10	0
Frome	800	10	15	0				5	14	2
Warminster	94	1	0	0	55	0	0	0	15	0
Melksham	559	9	7	0	24	0	0	8	4	6
Devizes	197	6	7	0	47	0	0	2	15	0
Shepton-Mallet.....	1145	13	0	0				7	0	0
Sherborne	616	15	10	0				7	12	6
Weymouth	617	14	14	0				7	15	0
Dorchester.....	454	9	0	0	35	0	0	3	2	3
Shaftesbury	875	11	11	6				6	2	6
Glastonbury	286	6	0	0	25	0	0	2	14	6
Totals	9159	149	15	0	186	0	0	82	9	11

XIII. First South Wales District.

(English Preaching.)

Swansea.....	525	12	0	0	36	0	0	9	0	0
Merthyr-Tydvil	1220	17	0	0				10	10	0
Brecon	228	7	10	0	35	10	0	5	0	0
Carmarthen	244	8	0	0	57	10	0	7	16	10
Haverford-West	660	14	0	0				8	11	4
Pembroke	628	8	5	0	30	0	0	5	12	0
Totals	3505	66	15	0	159	0	0	46	10	2

XIV. Second South Wales District.

(Welsh Preaching.)

Merthyr-Tydvil	839	12	0	0				3	0	0
Crickhowell	652	10	14	9				3	3	6
Cardiff	227	5	0	0	41	16	0	1	13	0
Cowbridge	152	2	15	0	26	6	0	1	1	0
Brecon	150	3	15	0	31	6	0	1	10	0
Llandilo.....	199	4	7	6	31	6	0	1	7	0
Carmarthen	375	6	15	6	78	16	0	3	4	6
Swansea	253	5	5	0	17	4	0	1	11	2
Cardigan	454	6	2	6	55	9	9	1	3	6
St. David's	108	2	15	6	44	13	0	0	16	0
Aberystwith	622	9	15	6				1	10	0
Machynlleth	449	5	12	6	34	10	0	1	6	6
Llanidloes	389	5	10	0	61	4	0	1	15	0
Totals	4869	80	8	9	422	10	9	23	1	2

CIRCUITS.	Noa.	Yearly Collection.			Grants.			July Collection.		
		£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
XV. North Wales District.										
<i>(Welsh Preaching.)</i>										
Ruthin and Denbigh	584	8	10	0	40	0	0	2	5	0
Llangollen.....	424	5	1	0	8	6	6	2	1	0
Corwen	210	2	10	0	48	0	0	0	16	0
Llanrwst	652	10	5	0	43	0	0	2	12	0
Holywell	760	8	0	0	38	0	0	2	0	0
Mold	436	6	12	0	18	0	0	2	3	0
Llanasa, near Holywell ..	445	4	14	0				1	10	0
Beaumaris.....	443	5	6	6	67	0	0	1	6	0
Amlwch.....	550	6	0	0	27	0	0	1	4	0
Carnarvon	378	3	17	0				1	7	6
Bangor	505	5	13	0	12	0	0	1	14	0
Pwllheli.....	336	3	13	0	42	0	0	1	8	0
Barmouth	360	5	3	0	56	0	0	1	4	0
Dolgelly.....	488	5	6	0	29	0	0	1	6	0
Llanfyllin ..	590	10	12	0				2	2	0
Llanfair.....	275	5	10	0	10	0	0	1	14	0
Totals	7436	96	12	6	438	6	6	26	12	6
XVI. Birmingham and Shrewsbury District.										
Birmingham, West	1898	47	14	0				30	11	6
Birmingham, East	1468	27	0	0				18	18	4
West-Bromwich	750	20	0	0				18	2	4
Wednesbury	2900	52	0	0				39	10	0
Walsall	884	17	0	0	40	0	0	14	18	9
Wolverhampton	1640	33	10	0				30	0	0
Dudley	2062	37	0	0				30	0	0
Stourbridge	793	13	0	0	64	0	0	11	4	0
Stourport	670	15	0	0	18	0	0	9	8	0
Worcester	443	11	10	0				6	7	3
Bromsgrove	173	3	7	6	51	12	0	2	0	0
Evesham	366	6	10	0	30	0	0	6	1	0
Redditch	491	8	15	0				7	3	10
Coventry	328	5	11	0	48	0	0	5	5	0
Leamington	467	12	0	0	40	0	0	8	7	6
Stratford-upon-Avon	166	2	6	0	31	12	0	2	10	0
Hinckley	662	7	2	6	40	0	0	6	10	0
Shrewsbury	350	10	0	0	75	0	0	8	12	1
Madeley.....	1216	20	0	0	40	0	0	15	16	6
Wellington	963	10	0	0				9	0	0
Ludlow	597	5	10	0	51	12	0	3	16	0
Kington.....	380	6	10	0	36	0	0	5	11	10
Donation by a Friend in the West-Bromwich Circuit		7	10	0						
Totals.....	19667	378	16	0	565	16	0	289	13	11
XVII. Macclesfield District.										
Macclesfield	1880	47	0	0				16	0	0
Buxton	500	10	0	0	61	0	0	5	0	0
Congleton	980	17	0	0				8	5	0
Namptwich and Crewe ..	620	10	0	0	28	10	0	7	10	0
Northwich.....	737	17	1	6				10	0	0
Burslem.....	1000	24	0	0				10	12	8
Tunstall.....	933	15	10	0				7	2	4
Newcastle-under-Lyne ...	880	11	0	0	15	0	0	6	5	0

CIRCUITS.	Nos.	Yearly Collection.			Grants.			July Collection.		
		£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
Longton.....	443	9	0	0	40	0	0	6	16	0
Stafford	300	7	7	0	42	10	0	5	6	0
Leek	1037	24	0	0				13	0	0
Uttoxeter	516	9	0	0				8	5	9
Cheadle	231	3	3	0	23	0	0	3	10	0
Totals.....	10057	204	1	6	210	0	0	107	12	9
XVIII. Liverpool District.										
Liverpool, North	1520	63	0	0				33	10	10
Liverpool, South	2034	79	1	0				33	18	4
Liverpool, Welsh	646	15	7	0				3	17	6
Chester	1007	27	0	0				15	0	0
Mold and Buckley-Mount	126	2	5	0	40	0	0	1	14	6
Carnarvon and Bangor....	48	2	0	0	57	0	0	2	3	0
Holyhead	69	1	7	6	39	10	0	1	5	0
Wrexham	409	6	13	0	67	0	0	6	7	3
Whitchurch	441	9	0	0				8	10	0
Warrington	566	13	2	10	40	0	0	9	10	0
Runcorn	810	16	0	0				9	15	0
St. Helen's and Prescot ..	562	12	7	0	58	10	0	9	7	6
Southport and Ormskirk..	400	10	15	0	56	2	5	8	9	6
Wigan	574	10	1	6				8	7	6
Preston and Chorley.....	1240	30	0	0				23	0	0
Garstang	507	10	2	0	24	0	0	7	10	5
Lancaster	520	8	10	0	15	0	0	6	8	0
Newtown	718	9	1	6	44	0	0	6	0	0
Totals.....	12197	325	13	4	441	2	5	194	14	4
XIX. Manchester & Bolton District.										
First Manchester	1471	54	0	0				31	0	4
Second Manchester	1734	53	0	0				29	13	2
Third Manchester.....	1221	40	5	0				14	16	0
Fourth Manchester	951	27	5	0				14	12	6
Manchester, Welsh	180	3	0	0	20	0	0	0	15	0
Fifth Manchester	1210	60	0	0				33	8	0
Altrincham	501	14	0	0				9	10	0
Stockport, North	913	24	10	0				13	18	11
Stockport, South	740	14	14	0				6	8	0
New-Mills.....	479	12	0	0	24	0	0	4	17	0
Glossop	677	8	0	0	40	0	0	4	2	0
Ashton-under-Lyne.....	1056	16	0	0	57	0	0	8	0	0
Oldham	751	12	10	6				11	0	0
Delph, Saddleworth	175	4	10	0	40	0	0	1	19	0
Bolton	2196	46	15	0				28	0	0
Rochdale	1273	18	0	0				12	0	0
Burnley	1298	25	4	0				17	0	0
Bury	1013	21	0	0				11	15	2
Blackburn.....	621	10	0	0				7	9	0
Haslingden	951	13	11	0				9	0	0
Bacup	1368	22	10	0				11	0	0
Colne.....	700	12	10	0	40	0	0	6	16	0
Clitheroe	548	9	17	0	20	0	0	4	9	0
Leigh.....	372	5	17	0	10	0	0	5	4	0
Totals.....	22399	528	18	6	251	0	0	296	13	1

CIRCUITS.		Noa.	Yearly Collection.			Grants.			July Collection.		
			£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
XX. Halifax & Bradford District.											
Halifax	1888	32	0	0					16	0	14
Huddersfield, First	1435	36	0	0					15	10	3
Huddersfield, Second	1350	20	0	0	24	0	0		11	0	4
Holmfirth	848	8	0	0	40	0	0		6	1	0
Sowerby-Bridge	1212	18	0	0					8	10	4
Todmorden	1403	10	16	6					6	15	0
Denby-Dale	555	4	0	0					3	8	1
Bradford, West	1897	35	8	0					18	10	6
Bradford, East	2020	32	0	0					16	10	0
Great-Horton	1420	9	0	0					6	2	1
Keighley	1702	21	11	0					13	6	5
Bingley	1065	9	0	0					6	10	0
Shipley	444	5	16	0					2	9	0
Skipton	509	7	0	0	59	0	0		4	10	1
Addingham	600	8	0	0	59	0	0		5	6	6
Grassington	245	3	3	0	44	0	0		1	12	0
Settle	331	3	10	0	44	0	0		1	16	0
Special Donations		12	18	0							
Totals	18924	276	2	6	270	0	0		144	0	0
XXI. Leeds District.											
First Leeds	1977	70	0	0					22	17	0
Second Leeds	2085	70	0	0					24	12	10
Third Leeds	1697	32	10	0					14	0	0
Fourth Leeds	1753	31	0	0					11	7	6
Bramley	1742	21	9	6					8	0	0
Wakefield	2145	27	0	0					15	0	0
Birstal	1863	16	0	0					11	3	2
Dewsbury	1504	19	0	0					11	12	9
Knaresborough	1071	19	5	0					11	0	0
Otley	913	12	10	0					7	3	10
Pateley-Bridge	987	10	0	0	11	6	8		7	0	0
Pontefract	1670	33	17	0					23	3	6
Cleckheaton	714	12	0	0	40	0	0		4	10	0
Yeadon	790	5	11	0					3	18	6
Woodhouse-Grove	584	6	0	0					5	12	7
Additional Subscriptions ..		4	9	2							
Totals	21495	390	11	8	51	6	8		181	1	8
XXII. Sheffield District.											
Sheffield, West	2582	50	0	0					26	6	1
Sheffield, East	2473	40	0	0					20	0	0
Chesterfield	1150	7	10	0					7	7	0
Bakewell	484	4	10	0	18	0	0		4	0	0
Bradwell	575	4	18	6					4	10	0
Rotherham	933	24	4	0					10	3	6
Wath	1000	12	2	8					7	10	10
Doncaster	1848	28	0	0					18	0	6
Barnsley	1072	14	10	0					12	7	7
Retford	1215	14	2	0					8	16	0
Worksop	570	8	0	0					5	7	0
Additional Subscriptions from Sheffield, West		18	14	0							
Totals	13902	226	11	2	18	0	0		124	8	6

CIRCUITS.		Yearly			Grants.			July			
XXIII. Nottingham and Derby District.		Nos.	Collection.						Collection.		
			£.	s.	d.	£. s. d.			£. s. d.		
Nottingham, South	1336	31	0	0				18	0	0	
Nottingham, North	1479	21	0	0				13	12	6	
Ilkestone	600	6	0	0	54	0	0	3	15	1	
Mansfield	1116	14	16	0				8	10	0	
Newark	1210	28	15	0				15	10	0	
Bingham	680	8	10	0				5	1	0	
Leicester	1080	12	8	0				11	7	3	
Melton-Mowbray	850	11	5	6				7	16	0	
Oakham	287	5	10	0	56	0	0	4	18	6	
Stamford	322	6	10	0	31	0	0	5	5	0	
Grantham	1056	12	0	0				6	4	6	
Peterborough	770	10	5	0				7	7	0	
Loughborough	970	13	10	0				7	10	2	
Castle-Donington	618	8	10	6				6	14	0	
Derby	1255	28	0	0				22	4	6	
Ashbourne	170	3	0	0	9	0	0	2	16	8	
Belper	705	6	17	6				5	6	7	
Ripley	555	4	3	0				3	2	3	
Ashby-de-la-Zouch	862	16	8	2				10	16	0	
Burton-on-Trent	890	4	14	9				6	16	0	
Cromford	726	8	0	0	34	0	0	5	0	0	
Additional Subscriptions by Ministers and Stewards..		59	6	0							
Totals		17537	320	9	5	184	0	0	177	13	0
XXIV. Lincoln District.											
Lincoln	2550	33	0	0				18	0	0	
Sleaford	1550	21	0	0				13	12	0	
Market-Raisen	1240	12	0	0				5	5	0	
Louth	2788	47	17	7				20	1	5	
Horncastle	1550	24	0	0				11	4	0	
Alford	1109	16	10	0				10	0	0	
Spilsby	840	16	0	0				6	10	0	
Boston	1257	20	0	0				14	10	0	
Wainfleet	642	9	15	10	24	0	0	5	18	3	
Spalding	1081	7	0	0	40	0	0	7	10	11	
Bourne	360	4	0	0	65	6	8	3	18	0	
Coningsby	504	7	10	0				4	5	0	
Additional Subscriptions from Alford		2	3	0							
Totals		15471	220	16	5	129	6	8	120	14	7
XXV. Hull District.											
Hull, West	2121	55	0	0				21	6	0	
Hull, East	1881	44	7	9				12	8	5	
Beverley	850	19	16	6				10	5	4	
Driffield	948	18	0	0				11	0	0	
Howden	1100	22	12	0				10	10	0	
Patrington	483	8	12	6	67	0	0	4	0	0	
Hornsea	484	8	14	0	27	0	0	4	15	0	
Grimsby	1801	37	0	0				21	0	0	
Gainsborough	1200	23	10	0				12	5	4	
Epworth	785	11	11	0				6	0	0	
Snaith	1279	22	15	0				14	1	6	
Brigg	856	14	0	0				9	0	0	

CIRCUITS.	Nos.	Yearly Collection.			Grants.	July Collection.
		£.	s.	d.		£. s. d.
Barton	1148	21	12	0		11 10 0
Bridlington	1520	24	14	10		14 0 0
Additional Subscriptions ..		17	12	8		
Totals	16456	349	17	10	94 0 0	162 1 7
XXVI. York District.						
York	2900	52	10	7		21 0 7
Tadcaster	937	17	14	9		10 0 0
Pocklington	933	17	0	0		8 15 0
Malton	1335	14	13	9		8 14 9
Easingwold	1427	19	10	0		9 8 0
Scarborough	1717	31	10	0		20 0 0
Pickering	1251	18	9	6		6 15 4
Thirsk	1200	17	6	3		7 10 0
Ripon	1011	12	10	0		8 1 0
Selby	1288	27	11	0	16 0 0	14 5 0
Totals	13999	223	15	10	16 0 0	114 9 8
XXVII. Whitby and Darlington District.						
Whitby	1098	23	0	0		
Stokesley	750	14	0	0	49 10 0	10 10 0
Darlington	703	19	0	0		9 10 0
Stockton	1120	26	15	0		11 0 0
Barnard-Castle	614	10	0	0	80 0 0	18 4 0
Bishop-Auckland	500	10	2	6	35 0 0	6 5 0
Middleham	650	8	8	0		7 7 0
Richmond	391	6	0	0	38 5 0	4 7 0
Reeth	722	8	0	0	66 5 0	4 10 0
Bedale	1164	10	0	0		2 7 9
Additional Subscriptions ..		2	18	0		4 5 6
Totals	7712	138	3	6	269 0 0	78 6 3
XXVIII. Newcastle District.						
Newcastle	1696	39	0	0	24 0 0	20 0 0
Gateshead	1387	18	11	6		9 2 3
North-Shields	835	11	13	2		7 5 0
Blyth	586	3	4	0		2 12 8
South-Shields	689	9	10	0		5 7 1
Sunderland	1700	23	11	0		16 13 4
Houghton-le-Spring	867	6	16	0		5 10 0
Durham	1201	11	0	0		11 0 0
Wolsingham	630	9	12	6		5 12 6
Hexham	608	7	0	0		6 0 0
Shotley-Bridge	697	10	0	0	24 0 0	5 4 6
Alston	620	5	0	0		3 10 0
Allendale-Town	476	5	0	0		2 2 6
Alnwick	140	4	3	0	16 0 0	1 17 2
Berwick	82	1	17	0	38 0 0	0 10 6
Morpeth	81	2	11	6	54 0 0	0 11 2
Special Subscriptions		24	13	0		
Totals	12295	193	2	8	156 0 0	102 18 8

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XXIX. Carlisle District.							
Carlisle	341	22	13	4	22	13	4
Brampton	135	3	11	4	3	11	4
Whitehaven	262	4	5	1	4	5	1
Workington	442	4	8	1	4	8	1
Appleby.....	574	4	11	1	4	11	1
Penrith	716	24	7	4	24	7	4
Wigton and Keswick	271	6	4	1	6	4	1
Kendal	775	7	8	4	7	8	4
Ulverstone.....	288	4	12	4	4	12	4
Dumfries	58	2	12	6	2	12	6
Totals	4034	63	12	4	63	12	4
XXX. Isle of Man District.							
Douglas and Castletown ..	1351	29	0	0	29	0	0
Ramsay and Peel	1729	15	0	0	15	0	0
Totals	3110	35	0	0	35	0	0
XXXI. Edinburgh and Aberdeen District.							
Edinburgh.....	570	14	7	6	14	7	6
Dunbar	56	1	10	0	1	10	0
Glasgow.....	889	15	7	6	15	7	6
Greenock	83	2	0	0	2	0	0
Airdrie and Stirling	419	5	0	0	5	0	0
Ayr	127	2	11	0	2	11	0
Aberdeen	342	8	10	9	8	10	9
Dundee	102	3	5	0	3	5	0
Perth	83	2	5	0	2	5	0
Arbroath	101	3	3	0	3	3	0
Banff.....	49	1	7	0	1	7	0
Inverness	55	1	16	0	1	16	0
Totals	2876	61	2	9	61	2	9
XXXII. Shetland Isles District.							
Lerwick.....	556	5	9	0	5	9	0
Walls.....	405	1	0	0	1	0	0
Northmavin, &c.	109	0	10	0	0	10	0
North Isles	153	1	0	0	1	0	0
Totals	1223	7	19	0	7	19	0

Districts.	Grants for Ordinaries.			Newly Married Ministers.		
	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
4 Norwich and Lynn	110	0	0	345	0	0
5 Oxford	170	0	0	120	0	0
6 Portsmouth	96	0	0	144	0	0
7 Guernsey	22	0	0	80	0	0
8 Devonport	147	0	0	24	0	0
9 Cornwall	84	0	0	88	0	0
10 Exeter	163	0	0	235	0	0
11 Bristol	208	0	0	432	0	0
12 Bath	118	0	0	40	0	0
13 First South Wales	66	0	0	40	0	0
14 Second South Wales	268	0	0			
15 North Wales.....	244	0	0	105	0	0
16 Birmingham and Shrewsbury ..	208	0	0	200	0	0
17 Macclesfield.....	94	0	0	80	0	0
18 Liverpool.....	78	0	0	270	0	0
19 Manchester and Bolton	81	0	0	24	0	0
20 Halifax and Bradford.....	84	0	0	40	0	0
21 Leeds	41	0	0	64	0	0
22 Sheffield	40	0	0	120	0	0
23 Nottingham and Derby	183	0	0	184	0	0
24 Lincoln.....	38	0	0	80	0	0
25 Hull	36	0	0	35	0	0
26 York.....	10	0	0	48	0	0
27 Whitby and Darlington.....	57	0	0	120	0	0
28 Newcastle-upon-Tyne.....	60	0	0	195	0	0
29 Carlisle.....	181	0	0			
30 Isle of Man						
31 Edinburgh and Aberdeen	350	0	0	192	0	0
32 Shetland Isles	315	0	0	75	0	0
	£4,099	0	0	£4,209	0	0

Q. XXIV. What are the Standing Regulations which have been found necessary, respecting the just and fair Distribution among the Circuits of our Unmarried Ministers, with a view to the pecuniary relief of the Circuits so favoured; and also respecting Grants in aid of expenses incurred by the temporary Supply for Afflicted or Deceased Ministers, and Grants towards the furnishing of Additional Houses for Ministers?

A. The Resolutions on these several subjects, which, on the recommendation of the Special Committee of Finance who met in February, 1846, were adopted by the Conference, are continued and confirmed. They are as follows; viz.,—

I. That in future the unmarried Preachers, especially those yet

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CIRCUITS.		Yearly			Grants.			July			
XXIX. Carlisle District.		Nos.	Collection.						Collection.		
			£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
Carlisle	341	11	13	6	34	0	0	5	11	6	
Brampton	195	3	12	6	30	10	5	1	15	0	
Whitehaven	362	4	5	0	70	0	0	1	9	0	
Workington	482	4	9	0				3	0	0	
Appleby.....	576	4	10	0				3	12	0	
Penrith	766	14	7	6				8	8	0	
Wigton and Keswick	271	6	0	0	91	0	0	3	0	0	
Kendal	775	7	9	6				5	5	9	
Ulverstone.....	208	4	12	6	48	0	0	3	16	0	
Dumfries	58	2	12	6	51	0	0	0	17	6	
Totals	4034	63	12	0	324	10	5	36	14	9	
XXX. Isle of Man District.											
Douglas and Castletown ..	1581	20	0	0				8	8	9	
Ramsay and Peel.....	1729	15	0	0				4	16	0	
Totals	3310	35	0	0				13	4	9	
XXXI. Edinburgh and Aberdeen District.											
Edinburgh.....	570	14	7	6	137	14	0	4	0	0	
Dunbar	56	1	10	0	21	12	0	0	17	0	
Glasgow.....	889	15	7	6				2	15	8	
Greenock	83	2	0	0				0	15	0	
Airdrie and Stirling	419	5	0	0	93	0	0	1	0	0	
Ayr	127	2	11	0	46	16	0	0	15	0	
Aberdeen	342	8	10	9	27	0	0	2	15	6	
Dundee	102	3	5	0	36	0	0	1	0	0	
Perth	83	2	5	0	50	8	0	1	0	0	
Arbroath	101	3	3	0	48	12	0	1	10	0	
Banff.....	49	1	7	0	55	6	0	0	11	0	
Inverness	55	1	16	0	48	12	0	0	16	0	
Totals	2876	61	2	9	565	0	0	17	15	2	
XXXII. Shetland Isles District.											
Lerwick.....	556	5	9	0	140	4	0	1	12	0	
Walls.....	405	1	0	0	87	0	0	0	12	0	
Northmavin, &c.	109	0	10	0	77	6	0	0	10	0	
North Isles	153	1	0	0	55	10	0	0	10	0	
Totals	1223	7	19	0	360	0	0	3	4	0	

TRAVELLING EXPENSES,—*Continued.*

	£.	s.	d.
Brother Wilkinson, from Addingham to Shotley-Bridge	2	0	0
Savage, from Bedale to Whitehaven	4	0	0
Cass, from Coventry to Whitehaven	3	2	0
Foster from Shetland to Appleby	4	0	0
Hill, from Airdrie to Keswick	2	5	0
Rossell, from Pembroke to Ramsay	8	0	0
Hannah, 2d, from Mansfield to Glasgow	5	0	0
Danks, from Banff to Doune	2	0	0
Heak, from Walls to Lerwick.....	2	0	0
Findlay, from Newtown to Shetland	12	12	0
Haworth, from Peterborough to Shetland.....	10	0	0
John Thomas, from London to Middleham	5	0	0
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(2.)—AFFLICTIONS.

	£.	s.	d.
Brother Burnett, (Leyton,) for peculiar family affliction.....	10	0	0
Thomas Green, (Lewes,) for heavy personal affliction.....	20	0	0
W. O. Booth, (Third London,) for peculiar affliction of his son... ..	10	0	0
Phenix, jun., (Chelmsford,) for severe personal affliction	15	0	0
Hedges, (late,) (Bedford,) for funeral expenses	12	0	0
Jewett, (Market-Harborough,) for personal affliction	5	0	0
Walter, (Market-Harborough,) for peculiar and heavy affliction.	10	0	0
Worth, for the continued peculiar affliction of his son.....	15	0	0
Ditto, for various heavy family afflictions	15	0	0
Wedlock, (Sittingbourne,) for severe and protracted family afflictions	10	0	0
Sharpe, (Norwich,) for severe personal affliction	10	0	0
Smith, (Downham,) for severe family affliction.....	6	0	0
Dennis, (Swaffham,) for family affliction	3	0	0
Baddeley, (Walsingham,) for personal and family affliction	5	0	0
John Pearce, (Brackley,) for severe family affliction	10	0	0
W. Baker, sen., for the protracted affliction of his son.....	15	0	0
Sharland, (Wimborne,) for severe and protracted affliction.....	10	0	0
Bonser, (Ringwood,) for severe personal affliction	5	0	0
Turvey, (Andover,) for family affliction.....	5	0	0
J. L. Sanders, (Kilkhampston,) for severe personal and family affliction	20	0	0
Briggs, (St. Austle,) for long and very severe affliction	15	0	0
W. F. Clark, (Tiverton,) for severe personal affliction.....	6	0	0
Catterick, (South-Petherton,) for severe and protracted family affliction	10	0	0
Bestall, (Oakhampton,) for long and heavy family affliction	10	0	0
Exell, (Teignmouth,) for long family affliction.....	10	0	0
Crowe, (Dursley,) on account of family affliction	10	0	0
Evans, (Tewkesbury,) for peculiar affliction.....	10	0	0
Bissell, (Downend,) for family affliction	6	0	0
John Thomas, (Tewkesbury,) for personal affliction	6	0	0
Rouch, (Devizes,) for severe family affliction	7	0	0
Lesson, (late,) funeral expenses.....	12	0	0
Williams, (Crickhowell,) for protracted personal and family affliction	15	0	0
Richards, (Llandilo,) for heavy family affliction	7	0	0
Herbert, (Carmarthen,) for continued family affliction	8	0	0

AFFLICTIONS,—*Continued.*

	£.	s.	d.
Brother Jones, (Pwllheli,) for family afflictions	2	0	0
Hughes, (Dolgelly,) for distressing and protracted family afflictions	25	0	0
D. Williams, (Ruthin,) for personal affliction	10	0	0
Cheeswright, (Coventry,) for severe family affliction	15	0	0
Janion, (Bromsgrove,) for severe and protracted family affliction.	18	0	0
J. D. Carey, for severe and protracted family affliction in New- castle last year	5	0	0
Allowed to Widow Akrill, (Chester,) under the very peculiar cir- cumstances in which she is left	30	0	0
Brother Mainwaring, (Wrexham,) for personal affliction.....	5	0	0
Hocken, (St. Helen's,) for continued family affliction.....	10	10	0
John Bell, (Todmorden,) for severe and long-continued family affliction	15	0	0
Gartside, (Shipley,) on account of severe and long-continued family afflictions	15	0	0
Murray, (Addingham,) for severe personal affliction	12	0	0
Rayner, (Bradwell,) on account of personal affliction	5	0	0
Dalby, (Ilkestone,) for personal affliction.....	4	0	0
William Allen, 4th, (Bingham,) for protracted affliction.....	8	0	0
Moxon, (Oakham,) on account of peculiar family affliction	8	8	0
Gover, (Spalding,) for severe and protracted affliction	3	0	0
Croft, (Bourne,) for severe and protracted family affliction.....	8	0	0
Powell, (late,) for severe personal affliction	12	12	0
Ditto, funeral expenses	12	0	0
Kilner, (Ripon,) for long and serious affliction	10	10	0
J. W. Dawson, (Alnwick,) for affliction	4	9	6
D. Edgar, (Alnwick,) for family affliction.....	3	0	0
Currelly, (Douglas,) for severe and protracted personal and family affliction	14	0	0
Hannah, (Glasgow,) for severe and protracted family affliction...	15	0	0
P. Clarke, (Airdrie,) for serious and long-continued personal affliction	15	0	0
Shelton, (Perth,) for family affliction.....	5	0	0
Railton, (Arbroath,) for severe family affliction	10	0	0
Hesk, (Lerwick,) for family affliction	2	2	0
Haworth, (North-Mavin,) for personal and family affliction	2	2	0
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	£647	13	6

(3.)—FURNITURE.

	£.	s.	d.
Manningtree.....	10	0	0
Stroud	30	0	0
Wigan	30	0	0
Garstang	30	0	0
Ludlow	30	0	0
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	£130	0	0

(4.)—MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES.

	£.	s.	d.
Brother Brocklehurst, carriage of boxes on becoming a Supernu- merary	2	2	0
Brother Wedlock, (Sittingbourne,) expenses in travelling his Circuit	5	0	0

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES,—*Continued.*

	£.	s.	d.
Supplying the place of the late Brother G. H. Rowe, in Maidstone	10	10	0
Supplying the place of Brother Sharpe, Norwich.....	15	15	0
Expenses of a Special District-Meeting in Lynn	17	17	0
Allowed to Brother Hopewell, under very peculiar circumstances ...	15	0	0
Supplying the place of Brother Earnshaw, in Oxford	14	0	0
An additional Young Man in Oxford.....	20	0	0
Brother Hessel's supply in Newport, Isle of Wight	4	4	0
Brother Sharland's supply in Wimborne	4	4	0
Brother Willis, carriage of boxes on becoming a Supernumerary.....	2	0	0
Supplying Brother Shipman's place, Jersey	10	10	0
Supplying Brother Hocart's place, Jersey.....	15	15	0
Expenses of a Minor District-Meeting in Dartmouth	5	5	0
Brother W. Thomas, carriage of boxes on becoming a Supernumerary	2	2	0
Supplying Brother Cox's place in Bridgewater.....	11	11	0
Expenses of a Minor District-Meeting at Abergavenny	5	2	6
Brother Thomas's supply in Tewkesbury	22	1	0
Brother Roberts, carriage of boxes on becoming a Supernumerary	2	0	0
Brother Hedges's supply in Bedford	12	12	0
Brother Walter's supply in Market-Harborough	5	0	0
Brother Entwisle, towards the keep of a horse.....	10	0	0
Brother Knowles, 1st, towards the keep of a horse	10	0	0
Supplying the place of Brother Bromley, in Bath.....	50	12	6
Supplying the place of the late Brother Lesson, in Sherborne	13	11	0
Brother Clement, to meet his deficiencies in Warminster	10	0	0
Expenses of a Special District-Meeting in Bath	20	16	6
Supplying Brother Osborne's place in Methyr-Tydvil	20	0	0
Brother R. Owen, towards the keep of a horse.....	10	0	0
Brother Thomas Edwards, for a horse	10	0	0
Supplying the place of the late Brother Akrill, in Chester	15	15	0
Supplying the place of Brother Mainwaring in Wrexham	10	10	0
Brother Bumstead, carriage of boxes on becoming a Supernumerary	1	10	0
Expenses of a Minor District-Meeting in Manchester.....	3	10	0
Omitted last year, a newly-married Minister in Bury	32	0	0
Supplying Brother Murray's place in Addingham.....	10	10	0
Supplying Brother O. Keyse's place in Leeds, 3d	10	10	0
Supplying Brother William Allen's place in Bingham.....	10	10	0
Brother Dalby, towards the keep of a horse	10	0	0
Expenses of a Minor District-Meeting at Ashbourne.....	2	18	6
Supplying the place of the late Brother Powell, in Beverley	20	15	0
Supplying the place of Brother Kilner, in Ripon.....	15	15	0
Supplying the place of Brother Prescott, in Pickering.....	15	15	0
Expenses of a Minor District-Meeting in Newcastle	2	12	4
A newly-married Minister in Shetland, omitted last year	30	0	0
Brother Kendall's expenses from Shetland to the Manchester Conference	8	8	0
Arrears of Rent of Walls' house, Shetland	7	16	0
Advertisements for Shetland, &c.	4	11	2
Brother John Stephenson's visit to Shetland, by order of the Conference	8	11	6
Chairmen's expenses in visiting solitary Stations.....	39	17	10
The expenses of Brother Naylor and Brother Rigg in attending the South Wales District-Meeting	8	0	0
The Expenses of the Ex-President and Brother M'Owan in attending the North Wales District-Meeting	5	7	0
The President's expenses to Ireland	10	0	0
Ditto, Letters, Stationery, and Parcels	3	10	0

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES,—*Continued.*

	£.	s.	d.
The President's travelling expenses to various Circuits, by special invitations.....	26	10	0
Minor District-Meetings in Bradford	3	2	6
Expenses in part of a newly-married Minister in Wisbeach.....	5	0	0
Brother Hirst's expenses in attending the Conference.....	1	2	0
Expenses of Brother Faull from Malton to London, by order of the Conference	3	0	0
Brother M'Lean, carriage of boxes on becoming a Supernumerary...	5	0	0
Expenses of Brother Budden from London to Holt and back, by order of the Conference	3	0	0
Expenses attending the special examination, in London, of Candidates for our Ministry	76	0	0
Printing Pastoral Addresses and other Connexional documents ...	114	16	0
Printing Yearly and July Collection papers, and carriage of them into the respective Circuits.....	33	15	0
Interest of money borrowed, and bank commission	156	2	5
Treasurer's stationery, letters, and parcels	2	5	9
Ditto, part of expenses in attending the London Conference.....	2	10	0
The expenses of the Secretary of the Conference, Rev. Dr. Hannah, to the Irish Conference	4	15	3
Ditto, letters and stationery	0	9	9
Expenses of Brother Burdsall to Manchester, by order of the Conference	1	12	0
Ditto, Mr. Everett, ditto, ditto	1	12	0
Expenses of a Special District-Meeting in London	6	1	2
Dr. Newton's Assistant	80	0	0
Ditto, expenses to Scotland.....	4	10	0
Ditto, ditto, the Irish Conference.....	5	0	0
The Rev. Joseph Fowler's Assistant	80	0	0
Allowed Brother M'Lean, under peculiar circumstances.....	65	0	0
Allowed Brother Samuel Robinson, on retiring from the ministry ...	30	0	0
Amount of Miscellaneous Expenses	1,357	6	8
Ditto, Travelling Expenses.....	210	14	0
Ditto, Afflictions	647	13	6
Ditto, Furniture	130	0	0
Total Amount of Extraordinaries	£2,345	14	2

GENERAL STATEMENT.

Dr.	1850.	<i>The Treasurers of the Contingent Fund.</i>				<i>Per Contra.</i>			Cr.
			£.	s.	d.	1850.	£.	s.	d.
To Yearly Collection, 1850			6,583	15	4	By Balance due to the Treasurers, August, 1849...	1,267	1	0
To July Collection, 1850			3,641	19	9	By amount paid for Ordinary Deficiencies, 1850 ...	8,914	15	9
To Payment from the Executors of the late Robert Scott, Esq., towards the support of the work of God in Shetland						By amount paid for Extraordinary Deficiencies, 1850	2,345	14	2
To Legacy from the late Miss Harvey (less Property-tax)			85	3	10	By Grant for Ireland	650	0	0
To Legacy from the late Mrs. Rogers, of Stonehouse, per Rev. John Scott			23	6	0	By Deficiency in the Boston Circuit.....	10	3	0
To Error in York District last year			19	19	0				
To Balance of Subscriptions from Ministers, Stewards, and others in the London District ...			5	5	0				
To amount received from the Missionary Committee, in compensation for returned Missionaries, taken into the work at home			142	2	5				
To Balance due to the Treasurers, August, 1850...									
			630	0	0				
			2,056	2	7				
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			£13,187	13	11				
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Examined and found correct, with a Balance of Two Thousand and Fifty-Six Pounds, Two Shillings, and Seven Pence, due to the Treasurers.

August 21st, 1850.

JOHN CHUBB,
FREDERICK INGOLDBY.

1850.

IV.

ABSTRACT OF THE ACCOUNTS OF THE CHILDREN'S FUND FOR THE YEAR 1849-1850.

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No. CVIII.

NEWCASTLE-UPON-TYNE, *July 30, 1851.*

Q. I. WHO are now ADMITTED as Ministers INTO FULL CONNEXION WITH THE CONFERENCE?

A. 1. In *Great Britain*, Joseph L. Ball, Joseph Bate, John Bramley, Rupert Chawner, John W. Close, John W. Crankshaw, Thomas T. Dilkes, James Emory, Peter Featherstone, Benjamin Field, James Fisher, William Foster, Samuel Haigh, William Hirst, William L. Horton, William Jackson, 3d, Alexander T. James, John P. James, John Jones, 3d, Henry Keet, James A. Macdonald, John T. Morley, John Nelson, 2d, William Parsonson, Josiah Pearson, Andrew Rennard, William Shaw, 2d, Joseph Spencer, Joseph Sutton, Theophilus Talbot, William D. Tyack, John Weatherell, Thomas Wilkinson, John S. Workman;—

2. In our *Foreign Missions*, Thomas Butcher, Edward Collier, Joseph H. Fletcher, Herbert W. Haime, Richard Hart, John Kilner, George Meadows, Joseph Oram, Thomas Phelps, George Sargeant, Gottlob Schreiner, George Smith, 4th, Joseph Webster;—

3. And, in *Ireland*, Thomas W. Baker, Samuel Johnston, George Magee.

Q. II. What Preachers REMAIN ON TRIAL?

A. 1. In *Great Britain*,

(1.) James Ford and James Hargreaves, who have travelled four years, and are continued on trial solely on account of their health;—

(2.) George Abbott, Thomas Chope, Thomas Derry, Richard Evans, William Harley, Frederick Hart, Henry W. Holland, David Jones, 2d, Robert Jones, 2d, Samuel Lord, Henry Pollinger, Richard Smetham, Benjamin Smith, William Spencer, Henry J. Staley, Mark Symons, Thomas Timms, Francis T. Tranmer;—

2. In our *Foreign Missions*, Elias Brettle, John S. Ellison, Walter Garry, Alexander Reid, John Wood, 2d;

Also, William C. Currey, George H. Decker, Ebenezer D. Hepburn, Benjamin Latuselu, Joseph May, John G. Millard, Richard Watson, *Assistant Missionaries*;—

3. And in *Ireland*, Edward Best, James Carey, George Chambers, William Christie, William Crook, jun., John Dwyer, Colin M'Kay, John H. Robinson;—

These have travelled THREE YEARS:

1. In *Great Britain*, Thomas Akroyd, John Baker, John Bate, Richard Bell, John Brown, 3d, Henry Cattle, Joseph R.

Cleminson, Jonathan Dent, James D. Dodgson, Joshua Duffill, John T. Duncan, Henry Edwards, William Fern, Charles Garrett, John Gilbert, Samuel T. Greathead, Francis W. Greeves, Frederick C. Haime, Robert W. Horsfield, Thomas G. Horton, Robert Horwood, John Hutchings, Henry W. Jackson, B.A., John Jeffreys, Isaac Jones, William Lees, John Longden, Joshua Mason, James F. Masters, George Moone, Marmaduke C. Osborn, Jabez Overton, Thomas Pearson, 4th, Miles B. Pickering, Joseph Posnet, John Poulton, Whitfield Raw, John Reacher, John V. B. Shrewsbury, Joseph Simpson, James Smith, John S. Vickers, Thomas Vinson, John Walter, William Watson, John Webb, Joseph Willis, George E. Young, James Youngman ;—

2. In our *Foreign Missions*, Walter J. Davis, William Hill, 2d, Joseph Rippon ;

Also, William Byrnes, James Elliott, Joseph A. Heureaux, Joseph D. M. Ludorf, John Pemell, James Somerville, R. Alder Temple, *Assistant Missionaries* ;—

3. And, in *Ireland*, Robert Collier, Robert Johnston, James Shaw ;—

These have travelled TWO YEARS :

1. In *Great Britain*, George E. Allen, Samuel Atkinson, 2d, William Beattie, Benjamin Brown, James H. Bryant, James M. Cranswick, John Dixon, David Evans, 2d, George Follows, Joseph W. Frankland, Edward Guest, Thomas Haslam, George P. Hester, John Hughes, 2d, John Knowles, 3d, George Lough, Alfred Mewton, Charles Nuttall, Henry Parry, John Pogson, James L. Posnet, Thomas S. Raby, Francis J. Sharr, Samuel S. Taylor, William J. Tweddle, Thomas Wilde, Charles J. Williams, William L. Wingell, Robert M. Woodward, William Woollam ;—

2. In our *Foreign Missions*, William Beach, Charles H. Bishop, Thomas Cannel, Robert W. Clegg, Emile F. Cook, Jonathan Dale, George Douglas, 2d, Aaron Edman, Richard Fletcher, Ebenezer A. Gardiner, Joseph Gaskin, Robert Gilbert, Theophilus S. Gregory, Henry Hirst, John Polglase, Richard Ridyard, William Rotherham, William P. Wells, Joseph Williams, Henry Wilson ;

Also, William Holdsworth, James Kerr, William Moore, Paul Rodrigo, John C. Symons, George W. Tuttle, Joseph Waterhouse, Charles White, *Assistant Missionaries* ;—

[Joseph H. Carvosso has retired for want of health ;—]

3. And in *Ireland*, John Gilcriest, Robert Hazelton, Thomas A. M'Kee, Thomas Pearson, John R. Porter, William Quaile ;—

These have travelled ONE YEAR.

We are determined, by the grace of God, not to be weary in well-doing. We devote ourselves afresh to the service of our Divine Master. We resolve to preach more faithfully and zealously repentance and remission of sins in the name of Christ; to give increased and constant attention to pastoral visitation; and to take heed unto ourselves, "and to all the flock, over the which the Holy Ghost hath made us overseers," to feed the "church of God, which he hath purchased with His own blood." We earnestly implore the baptism of the Holy Ghost, as we are convinced that the unction of the Spirit of God is the true secret of all ministerial success; and girding on our spiritual armour, "strong in the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ," with unabated ardour we hasten to engage in our glorious, spiritual warfare, remembering for our encouragement that "the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strong holds."

We rejoice in the assurance that you often supplicate the throne of grace in our behalf; and we are encouraged by the hope that, with a like fervour, you will pray for us, that we may with increasing clearness and pathos preach the Lord Jesus Christ, in the essential glory of His nature, in the infinite merit of His sacrificial death, in the fulness and freeness of His great salvation; and that, having watched in all things, having endured afflictions, having done the work of Evangelists, having made full proof of our ministry, each of us may be enabled, in the review of the past, and in the glorious anticipation of the future, to say, "I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith; henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, shall give me in that day."

"O that each in the day of His coming may say,
'I have fought my way through;
I have finish'd the work Thou didst give me to do.'

"O that each from his Lord may receive the glad word,
'Well and faithfully done;
Enter into my joy, and sit down on my throne.'"

Signed on behalf and by order of the Conference,

JOHN F. MATHEWS, *Secretary.*

Dublin, July 3d, 1850.

THE ANSWER OF THE BRITISH CONFERENCE TO THE ADDRESS OF THE IRISH CONFERENCE.

VERY DEAR BRETHREN,

AMID the pressing cares and anxieties of our Annual Conference, which every year seem to become more onerous, it is one of our most grateful tasks to interchange fraternal acknowledgments

sion of sins and a change of heart. Whilst yet a youth, he removed to London, and began to warn sinners "to flee from the wrath to come." His zeal and ability attracted the attention of the venerable John Pawson, and by him he was introduced into the Methodist ministry. For fifty years he preached the word of life with fidelity and great acceptance, as a regular Minister in our body; and, when growing infirmities compelled him to cease from the more active service of the church, he cheerfully withdrew into the comparative retirement of a Supernumerary Minister; in which retirement the last three years of his life were spent. In the year 1845, he was elected by his brethren to fill the highest office in the Connexion; and both during the sittings of Conference, and throughout the year of his Presidency, he proved himself equal to the demands and responsibilities of his position, and secured from his brethren an affectionate expression of their thanks. Firmly attached to the constitutional principles of Methodism, he supported, by the weight of his venerable years and character, the recent disciplinary acts of his brethren; which he regarded as necessary for the conservation of ministerial purity, and of our Connexional integrity. Mr. Stanley had cultivated his mind in early life, by diligent and judicious reading and study; and the result was, that he became an "able Minister of the New Testament." The staple of his ordinary ministrations was uniformly good. He found the material of his sermons in the Scriptures. He was skilled in analysis, and in exhibiting truths in their mutual bearings and general harmony. He was a man of quick and playful wit; but he never suffered the indulgence of humour in the pulpit to degrade the dignity, or detract from the serious authority, of his teaching. His ministry, like his life, was brightest at its end. In fact, it was a ministry which time mellows, but which time never impairs. It did not owe its excellence at any period to vehemence, impetuosity, or warm passion; but afforded proof how possible it is for a ministry to be clothed with power, which is characterised by a calm, impressive, and dignified exhibition of Divine truth. His Protestantism was thoroughly sound-hearted, and never wavered on account of political considerations. An ardent lover of constitutional liberty, he regarded Popery as inimical to the rights of man, both civil and religious; and in the pulpit, and by the press, he bore a fearless testimony against its arrogant pretensions. He cherished, however, a genuine catholicity of spirit towards all the real followers of our Lord, and was able to maintain difference of judgment without suffering alienation of affection to arise. He returned from the last Conference in declining health; but his mind had lost none of its vigour or acuteness. His conversation was still marked by vivacity and interesting reminiscences, and by shrewd notices of character, blended with wisdom and kindness. The devotional exercises which he conducted in his family for the

last few weeks of his life, were peculiarly characterised by fervour, filial confidence, and comprehensive charity. "I know not," said he, at the commencement of his last illness, "what may be the issue: but, life or death, all is well." He spoke of himself uniformly in terms of deep humiliation. "A sinner saved by grace," was a frequent designation of himself. In replying to the anxious inquiries of his relatives, his frequent answer was,—“As regards the body, feebleness extreme; as regards the soul, great peace through faith in Christ.” When near death, his children watching around his bed, the oppressive stillness was broken by his exclamation, “Thou, Lord, refreshest my soul.” They bowed their knees in reverence and in silence, whilst his spirit, thus refreshed from the Lord, was gently breathed forth into the hands of his faithful Creator and Redeemer. This event took place on Thursday, September 5th, 1850, in the seventy-fifth year of his age.

(3.) WILLIAM VEVERS; who died at the Wesleyan Collegiate Institution, Taunton. He entered upon our ministry in the year 1813, and occupied several of our principal fields of labour. Possessing an active and vigorous mind, he employed his energies in promoting the cause of Christianity. He was an ardent lover of Methodism, and on various important occasions he defended it with great ability. In many instances he evinced great skill in the arrangements of Circuit-business, and was ready to devote himself to the various interests of the families composing his flock. During the last year his health rapidly declined; and, some time before his death, he sunk into a state of great feebleness. During his painful affliction he often repeated, “All the days of my appointed time will I wait, till my change come.” On September 8th, 1850, in the fifty-ninth year of his age, and the thirty-eighth of his ministry, the warfare of sickness and mortality ceased.

(4.) WILLIAM ATHERTON. This venerable Minister was born at Lamberhead-Green, in the county of Lancaster. In early life he was made a partaker of justifying and renewing grace. He commenced the work of the Christian ministry in 1797, and faithfully fulfilled the duties of that ministry, with few and brief intermissions, for the space of fifty-three years. For more than a quarter of a century Mr. Atherton was actively and extensively engaged, both in the pulpit and on the platform, and throughout the length and breadth of the land, in advocating the claims of our Missions, Chapels, and Schools: his pleadings for those great objects were eloquent, sincere, and fervid. He had largely availed himself of the opportunities for study and mental improvement afforded by an early and long residence in Scotland; and the effects of habits thus acquired strongly marked his whole subsequent life. He possessed a clear, vigorous, and masculine intellect. He justly appreciated the beauties of our best writers; and, although exception might be taken to some peculiarities of expression in which he

at times indulged, yet his style was, on the whole, peculiarly forcible, epigrammatic, and racy. His discourses were logical in arrangement, well studied throughout, and full-fraught with evangelical theology; and his style was terse and antithetical. The grasp and tenacity of his memory were great; and his sermons were delivered to the last with readiness, earnestness, and power. Their results, through the blessing of God, were found, in many of his later Circuits especially, in the conversion of sinners and the edification of believers. Notwithstanding the impression sometimes made upon strangers by his manner, he had a kind and benevolent heart. His friendships were not numerous, but they were warm and lasting; and the heart of his friend might safely trust in him. He was truly independent in thought and purpose. He formed his judgment with care; and, when formed, it was not easily shaken. He was decided in action, and firm and faithful in the exercise of discipline. At the Conference of 1846, he was elected to the highest office in the Connexion; and he discharged its onerous duties with impartiality, vigour, and kindness. He continued to do the work of the ministry until within a fortnight of his death. His last affliction was short, but severe; and it precluded him from giving any lengthened statement of his religious experience. But the unfailing patience with which he bore the excruciating pains of a fatal malady, attested the presence of "the Comforter;" and left no necessity for words to show that, through Christ, death had lost its bitterness. He had for some time been ripening for heaven; and death found the labourer prepared for his rest, trusting only in the atonement of his Lord and Saviour. He died on September 26th, 1850, in the seventy-fifth year of his age, and the fifty-fourth of his ministry.

(5.) WILLIAM FRANCE; who was born at Whitehaven, in 1781. He was designed for the ministry of the Established Church, and educated accordingly. But, when he was on the point of proceeding to College, an acquaintance with some members of the Wesleyan Society led to his religious awakening, and to his subsequent union with that section of the church of Christ. At seventeen years of age he preached his first sermon. About four years later, he entered the itinerant ministry, and he continued to labour for forty-four years, during which period he occupied many most influential stations. Growing infirmities then compelled him to become a Supernumerary. He possessed a vigorous mind, which was well cultivated by diligent study. His attainments, especially as a linguist, were considerable. The critical study of the original Scriptures was his delight; and in this employment it was his practice, during the greater part of his life, to spend many hours in a day. Not unfrequently, on joining his family after hours of continuous thought, he exclaimed, "I have found it! I have found it!" His sermons were chiefly expository; and

while aiding the critical inquirer, they afforded at the same time instruction and comfort to the humble Christian. His veneration for the catholic truth of the Gospel, and his zeal in its maintenance and diffusion, were great. His piety was deep, but unobtrusive. As a Pastor, he was diligent and affectionate, and greatly beloved by his flock. In the administration of discipline he was firm, yet kind. The duties of various important Connexional offices he invariably discharged to the great satisfaction of his brethren. Sanctified affliction was the means of greatly mellowing his piety during his latter years. As he advanced towards the close of life, his consolation abounded. Praise was continually on his lips. He died, in great peace, at Ardrossan, October 11th, 1850, in the seventieth year of his age.

(6.) **GEORGE CUBITT.** This eminent Minister was born in Norwich, near the end of 1791, and received his early education in that city. His family removing to Sheffield during his boyhood, he was there brought under the instructive and powerful ministry at that time exercised in Carver-street chapel; was induced to join the Society in the spring of 1808; and soon after experienced peace through believing in the Lord Jesus Christ. He now became active in the service of God; and it is believed that he introduced, in the place of his residence, the plan of Tract-distribution *by loan*. His youthful efforts in preaching, which were made in the neighbourhoods of Sheffield and Manchester, gave promise of excellence; and he was received into the itinerancy at the Conference of 1813. During a few of his early years he was a Missionary in Newfoundland; whence he returned, with seriously impaired health, in 1819. After this date, he laboured in some of the most important Circuits in Great Britain; commanding in each of these, by his public teaching, the admiration of many, including the more cultivated and intelligent hearers. In 1836 he was set apart to those editorial engagements which occupied the remainder of his life. Three days' affliction gave the brief premonition of his lamented end; and the fatal stroke was of a nature to prevent all utterance on the part of the sufferer. But his countenance seemed lighted with joy. There were indications that he was not unaware of the crisis, and not unresigned to his Father's will. Evidently conscious, he gave the sign of triumph which was requested, by waving his hand. Thus, though surviving friends have not the mournful satisfaction of treasuring up his dying words, they are nevertheless comforted with the assurance that the servant of Christ has entered into his Master's joy. He died October 13th, 1850.—The services rendered by Mr. Cubitt, especially in the department of religious literature, claim high respect. Many of his writings are entitled to a far larger amount of public attention than they have yet received. To thousands, however, "he, being dead, yet speaketh." Of his

intellectual excellence, it is, therefore, the less needful here to attempt an analysis. But special allusion may be due to certain habits of mind which assumed an unquestionable prominence. Among these may be named *reverence for the word of God*,—stimulating to its careful study, and rewarded with more than common views of its plenary and glorious meaning. The *evidence* of Divine truth his discriminating mind had long pondered, and with ever-increasing strength of conviction. Its *doctrines* he held in enlightened and loving veneration. No man more clearly saw the relation of reason to matters of revelation; and no man was more careful to observe the fixed and solemn boundary which marks off the higher province. Mr. Cubitt's mind was tremblingly awake to the licentiousness of much modern speculation. Always seeking to be guided by Scripture-teaching, he approved himself one of the most decided among Protestants, one of the most acute and able among Wesleyans. Our simple, beautiful, and luminous theology found in him an accomplished advocate. In *miscellaneous knowledge* Mr. Cubitt had few rivals. In his case, variety of reading did not imply a superficial acquaintance only. He was accustomed to deal with *thought*, and to throw his plummet deep. It is still more important to remark, that his varied acquisitions were concentrated and hallowed. If he sought to collect the hues of passing light, it was to shed fresh illustration on the topic of evangelical divinity. He was not unacquainted with the theological schools of the Continent; but was the more enamoured of our good old English writers. As a Preacher, he was rich (especially so, when he had the opportunity of continuous teaching) in expositions of holy Scripture. He must, not unfrequently, have recalled to the mind of his hearers such expressions as the following: "A scribe instructed unto the kingdom of heaven." "The Priest's lips should keep knowledge, and they should seek the law at his mouth: for he is the messenger of the Lord of hosts." Considering Mr. Cubitt's aptness to teach, as well as his singularly ample stores of information, adapted alike to instruct the public assembly and to delight the friendly circle, all must regret the seclusion into which he latterly withdrew. Partly through the attractions of literary duty,—but, perhaps, in a degree even higher, through an extreme sensitiveness, to which various influences and much personal affliction contributed,—he became a recluse; and the consequence to himself was, an inaptitude for every-day business and duty. His attached friends cannot forget the humility, resignation, and devout spirit with which he suffered much pain and many protracted trials; while they may admit that, had he complied with the usages of society, and availed himself more freely of its reliefs and advantages, his joys might have been augmented, and many a sorrow avoided or assuaged. But, in his own chosen sphere, he laboured for the public good.

REPLY OF THE BRITISH CONFERENCE IN 1849, TO
THE CONFERENCE OF THE WESLEYAN-METHODIST
CHURCH IN CANADA IN CONNEXION WITH THE
BRITISH CONFERENCE.

RECEIVE, very dear Brethren, our cordial greeting. Your welcome Address has served, in no small measure, to promote our growing love for you, and our deepening interest in your important work. "Grace be to you, and peace, from God our Father, and from the Lord Jesus Christ." Our prayers mingle with yours, that, if our Great Master will permit, your lives may be prolonged during many useful years, and that each of you may have the final joy of meeting in glory a multitude of redeemed spirits—his own "crown of rejoicing"—"in the presence of our Lord Jesus Christ at His coming."

That the Unity of the Wesleyan Churches is to you an object of ceaseless anxiety, we have not now to learn from your Address, or from the verbal communications of your excellent Representative, the Rev. John Ryerson, whom we have again affectionately welcomed in our Convocation. The account which that beloved Brother has given us of the present condition and the prospects of your interesting portion of our Connexion was listened to with deep attention, and called forth from the assembled Ministers lively expressions of thankfulness to Almighty God, who has so graciously answered our united prayers, and has given you harmony, peace, and prosperity within your borders. We avail ourselves of this opportunity to convey to you, through him, the assurance of our continued and increased desire for your welfare, and for the success of your labours in the extensive field of usefulness which lies before you, more especially amongst the Aboriginal Tribes and in the New Settlements. The arrangements issuing in our Union are reviewed, on our part as on yours, with grateful satisfaction; and we devoutly trust that the fruits will yet be reaped far more extensively to the glory of our Redeemer, that "both he that soweth and he that reapeth may rejoice together."

Allow us, while recording this anticipation, to congratulate you on the tokens of blessing which have re-assured and animated you in the last year. Seasons that are marked by temporal discouragements are not seldom relieved and brightened by spiritual success. Nor can we fear for your Financial Department, while your Societies are baptized with the spirit of a living and fruitful Christianity. All other prosperity flows from that which is internal and spiritual. Let our dear people but live near to God, drawing from a hidden Source their daily succours and comforts, and we fear not for their self-denying activity in supporting their Redeemer's cause. The springs of liberality will be thus kept open

his last moments had been spent in prayer. He died December 19th, 1850, in the sixty-ninth year of his age.

(9.) JOHN WOODROW. This venerable man and excellent Minister finished his course at Bristol, in the eighty-ninth year of his age, and sixty-fourth of his ministry. He was a native of Lynn-Regis, in Norfolk; was early brought into connection with the Methodist Society; and became a devoted Christian, enduring with meekness and firmness the persecution to which he was exposed in the early days of Methodism. After exercising himself in exhortation, and in other efforts to do good, to the spiritual profit of many, he was called into the Methodist itinerancy under the auspices of Mr. Wesley. Several of his earlier years were spent in Ireland, where he endured hardship, but saw beneficial spiritual results. On returning to his native country, he was appointed to various Circuits. Through a succession of years he occupied a respectable position in the Methodist ministry, honoured with the respect and confidence of his brethren; and was often called to fill offices of responsibility, which he sustained with fidelity, and to the satisfaction of those with whose suffrages he had been favoured. He was a faithful man; sincerely attached to the doctrines and discipline of Methodism, administering its rules with mingled kindness and conscientiousness, and seeking in every legitimate way to promote its interests. With the deepest concern and disapprobation he viewed the conduct of those who seek to introduce discord and division into the Methodist Society. Mr. Woodrow's ministry was highly acceptable and useful. On his pulpit preparations he bestowed commendable care; and his sermons, delivered in an earnest, pathetic, and impressive manner, seldom failed to secure the fixed and serious attention of his hearers. For many years before his death, Mr. Woodrow was compelled, by declining health and growing infirmities, to retire from regular labour. His retirement was marked by submission, cheerfulness, and amiability; a beauteous exemplification of the graces of his Christian character. His mental faculties remained almost to the last in a state of remarkable vigour, and his conversation was singularly animated and intelligent. All who knew Mr. Woodrow, respected him. He lived beloved, and died regretted. His death was a worthy close of his long Christian and ministerial career. Filled with thankfulness, humble confidence, and Divine consolation, he retired from the toils, struggles, and sufferings of this mortal state, and, on the 22d day of December, 1850, entered into the rest which remaineth for the people of God.

(10.) ALEXANDER BELL; who was born in 1788. In the seventeenth year of his age he was converted to God, through the instrumentality of the Rev. William Bramwell. This Divine change was manifested in holy tempers, works of faith, and labours

of love. In 1810 he was called to the Christian ministry; and for many years he was appointed to some of the most important Circuits in our Connexion. In the death of Mr. Bell, the church has lost an ornament, and an eminently useful Minister; and the world, a burning and shining light. As a man, he was most conscientious and upright. He was kind to all, warm and affectionate toward his intimate friends, as also toward the flock over which the Holy Ghost had made him an overseer. He was naturally open and generous; feeling and manifesting an ardent love. As a Christian, he was happy, humble, and prayerful; enjoying much of God's presence, because he daily walked with Him. The result was, that in the family and the friendly circle, as well as in "the place of the Holy," he diffused an influence which compelled others to take knowledge of him that he had been with Jesus. As a Minister, he was a living example of fidelity and diligence. His preparations for his Master's work were marked by great assiduity and prayer. Hence, his public ministrations were fresh and instructive, as well as very earnest and powerful; so that the godly were edified, while careless sinners were arrested, and deeply impressed with the truths which flowed from the Preacher's heart and tongue. In his pastoral work, notwithstanding numerous public duties, he found time to watch over the Societies committed to his care, to instruct from house to house, to visit the sick, comfort the sorrowful, and point the dying to Him who died for all. While Mr. Bell was most tender towards those who opposed him, he faithfully exercised the scriptural discipline of our church, and firmly withstood those who were "given to change." Thus feeding and protecting the flock, and "taking the oversight thereof," he was prepared for the appearance of the "chief Shepherd." His illness continued for some months; but his was the "path of the just," which "is as the shining light, that shineth more and more unto the perfect day." As the body sank, he was "strengthened with might by His Spirit in the inner man." Grace more than triumphed, and faith opened to him the blissful realities of another world. To his deeply-afflicted family, his sorrowing colleagues, and many affectionate friends, he bore the most delightful testimony, and uttered words of instruction and comfort. On one occasion, speaking to a colleague, and lifting his hands in token of joy and victory, he said, "Look! my flesh is gone, my strength is gone, my memory is gone; but, thank God, my faith is not gone. That vital, living principle is not gone. I know that my Redeemer liveth, . . . and though after my skin worms destroy this body, yet in my flesh shall I see God." While in the valley, he said, "I will fear no evil; for Thou art with me." "The angels are beckoning me to glory: I am coming! I am coming! I wait the word which shall speak me into His presence." When he had said this, he fell asleep, on the 3d of

February, 1851, in the sixty-third year of his age, and the forty-first of his ministry.

(11.) **JOHN DENTON.** He obtained clear views of the Gospel plan of salvation by hearing Mr. Wesley in his native town of Halifax. After earnest seeking, he found mercy through faith in the crucified Redeemer; and soon the love of Christ constrained him to various acts of usefulness, until called into the ministry in 1789. For a period of thirty-six years he laboured acceptably and usefully in the vineyard of the Lord. Accumulating infirmities then compelled him to relinquish the active duties of the itinerancy. He was distinguished by great simplicity of manners. His countenance, conversation, and habitual deportment evinced the ingenuousness and Christian integrity of his character. At the period of his uniting with the church, being then seventeen years of age, he solemnly covenanted with the Lord to be His. The last record in his diary, made during his eightieth year, indicates his assured hope of shortly entering into the joy of his Lord. Sometimes he suffered from physical and mental depression; but his confidence in God was unshaken. His views of Divine truth were clear, and his discourses plain, practical, and edifying. Many acknowledged him as the instrument, in the hand of God, of their conversion. His life was consistent with his profession, and in accordance with the word of God. He was faithful as a Pastor of the flock; and, after he became a Supernumerary, it was the ruling desire of his heart to use his little remaining strength in promoting the cause of the Redeemer. For the last six years he was entirely confined to his house by repeated attacks of paralysis; so that he was no longer able to join in the services of the sanctuary,—a privilege he had highly prized. He often gave expression to the most humbling views of himself, and to his entire dependence on the mercy of God through Christ. He suffered much during the few months preceding his death, and expired in peace, February 21st, 1851, in the eightieth year of his age; having sustained an unblemished reputation through the whole of his Christian course.

(12.) **JOSEPH FOWLER;** who was born at Horton, near Bradford, Yorkshire, in the year 1791. His pious mother brought him up “in the nurture and admonition of the Lord.” Under the faithful preaching of the venerable Mr. Cross, Vicar of Bradford, and of the early Methodist Ministers, his mind became deeply impressed with the importance of personal salvation; and on the 13th of September, 1808, he received the Spirit of adoption, and was filled with peace in believing. He preached his first sermon in 1810; and in the following year, on the recommendation of the Rev. Joseph Sutcliffe, was admitted on trial by the Conference. During a period of forty years, he laboured with great diligence, acceptance, and usefulness in several of our principal Circuits;

and he occupied responsible Connexional offices with great efficiency. In 1848 he was elected Secretary of the Conference. His preaching was highly instructive, experimental, and practical. His style was clear, concise, and vigorous. In the exposition of biblical narratives he was singularly happy and successful, and he excelled in applying scriptural examples to illustrate the dangers and duties of the Christian life. Against Antinomianism, in all its mischievous forms, he bore a faithful and constant testimony. He was most exemplary in his love of pastoral duties, which he discharged with singular assiduity and punctuality; and, in his intercourse with the people of his charge, he proved himself a wise and affectionate counsellor, and a faithful friend. It was always his aim to leave a savour of Divine truth on the minds of those whom he visited, and he manifested the tenderest sympathy with the tempted and the afflicted. While he devoted himself to the welfare of his Circuits, he felt a warm interest in all questions affecting Wesleyan Methodism. He understood and appreciated its distinctive excellencies; and on more than one occasion, in circumstances of peculiar trial and difficulty, he strenuously and faithfully maintained its discipline against the disturbers of its peace. He was habitually devout, strictly conscientious and upright in discharging the various duties of life; and was deeply impressed with the responsibility of the ministerial office. His character was marked by decision and firmness; and his love of order, punctuality, and promptitude guided him in religious as in ordinary concerns. He was a strict economist of time; a diligent, select, and thoughtful reader; a sagacious observer of men and things. His natural quickness of perception imparted rapidity to his movements and utterances, which were occasionally marked by some abruptness of manner. This peculiarity was, however, associated with a disposition truly kind and affectionate. Few men were so grateful for acts of kindness, or so true to the claims of friendship. During the Conference of 1849 his health failed, and he subsequently became the subject of acute and protracted suffering. This affliction was indeed a bitter cup, and he felt it a painful trial of his faith to be laid aside from active service. He clung to life anxiously, for a time; but grace ultimately triumphed over the feelings of nature, and enabled him to say, "Thy will be done." The last attack of illness was so sudden that he was with difficulty removed from Brighton to London. He now felt that he had entered "the valley of the shadow of death;" but he feared no evil. His submission to the Divine will was complete. Among many sentiments of Christian resignation and hope which he uttered, were the following:—"I have lived unto Him, and now I am dying unto Him." "I long to be dissolved." "Into Thy hands I commend my spirit." "I enter heaven by prayer." Reference being made to some of the expressions used by Mr.

Wesley, when dying in the same house, Mr. Fowler exclaimed, with clasped hands and peculiar emphasis,

“I the chief of sinners am,
But Jesus died for me.”

He made no allusion to the pain of parting from his friends, but dwelt glowingly and constantly on a blessed re-union in heaven. His last distinct utterance was, “To be for ever with the Lord.” He died in the full triumph of faith, on the 17th of March, 1851, in the sixtieth year of his age, and the fortieth of his ministry.

(13.) THOMAS FLOWER, of the Shepton-Mallet Circuit; who had been from a child the subject of religious impressions, and was brought to God during a revival which took place at Timsbury, in the Midsomer-Norton Circuit, in 1832. Having been employed as a Leader and Local Preacher, in the year 1838 he became a student in the Theological Institution, and subsequently entered into our ministry. His piety was sincere, deep, and uniform; and his spirit eminently meek and quiet. His discharge of official duties was most conscientious. His preaching was affectionate, spiritual, and edifying; and his intercourse with the people of his charge every way becoming a Minister of Christ. The young and the afflicted of his flock received from him especial attention and sympathy. In his endeavours to maintain our discipline he was mild and patient, but yet firm. By those among whom he laboured he was highly esteemed: some of them will be his “crown of rejoicing” in the day of the Lord Jesus. The affliction which terminated the life of this excellent young Minister was short; but he was found ready. On Sunday morning, March 16th, 1851, he left home to take his appointments for the day; but his strength failed, and he returned in the evening with the conviction that his work was done. During his illness his mind was kept in perfect peace, and at times he was filled with most rapturous joy. Some of his dying words were, “O, what a poor creature I am! yet my sufficiency is in Christ. On His atonement I rest my hope of salvation.” “O, the delightful work of preaching the unsearchable riches of Christ!” “How precious are the promises! It is on the truth I rest my hope: ‘Thy word is truth.’” When the last conflict was near, he said, “I am happy: my mind is sweetly stayed on God.” “Heaven! Glory! Let me go! Hark! Hark!” He fell asleep in Jesus, on Tuesday, March 25th, 1851, in the thirty-second year of his age, and the twelfth of his ministry.

(14.) JOHN JONES, 1st; who was born at Corwen, in North Wales, November 1st, 1782. He was converted to God in the year 1800, and after two years entered into our itinerant work. For some time he laboured in Wales, preaching to his countrymen in their own language with considerable success; but since 1817

from their health, qualifications, and fervent devotedness to their glorious work, give delightful promise of extensive usefulness. We magnify the Lord, that the workmen are multiplying amongst us as the work is spreading ; and it is our earnest prayer and firm purpose, by Divine aid, that both the one and the other may be distinguished by those elements of character, and that spirit of simplicity, love, joy, holiness, activity, and power, which marked the developments of primitive Methodism and apostolic Christianity, and which alone will enable us to perform our vows and accomplish our heavenly mission.

It is with no ordinary pleasure we announce to you, honoured Fathers and Brethren, that our beloved and gifted Brother, the REV. DR. RYERSON, will appear at your next Conference, as our Representative. In commending him to your fraternal regards, we bear testimony to the uniform and ceaseless devotedness with which he has laboured to promote the interests of the Wesleyan Church in this Province. Nor have we, as a community, been the sole partakers of advantages resulting from his learning and talents : Canada West is under great obligation to our esteemed Brother and fellow-labourer, for her religious rights and liberties, and especially for the educational system, pervaded by the genius and spirit of Christianity, which, under his able and judicious superintendency, is becoming matured throughout the whole land. Whilst conveying to you an assurance of the sincere and profound esteem we cherish towards the Parent Body, we are certain it will add much to his own happiness to mingle again, in England, with the leaders of our beloved Israel, who exert so potent an influence over the social and eternal destinies of vast portions of the human family.

We again repeat, honoured Fathers and Brethren, the assurance of our esteem and affection for yourselves personally, and the hallowed doctrines and principles of our common Methodism ; and we beg to express our heartfelt thanks for your generous co-operation and assistance in the vast work in which we are engaged,—a work to which we consecrate ourselves anew, and in which we are resolved, by the grace of God, to live and die. We salute you in our hearts ; and we fondly anticipate, at our next Conference, the presence and counsels of one of our venerated Fathers from the Parent Body, “whose praise is in all the churches.”

While we entreat a continued interest in your prayers and co-operation, we devoutly implore the richest blessings of peace and unity, holiness and prosperity, upon the whole family of our *Wesleyan* Methodism at home and abroad.

Signed by order and in behalf of the Conference of the Wesleyan-Methodist Church in Canada, at Brockville, Upper Canada, June 12th, 1850.

A. HURLBURT, *Secretary.*

account. His talents as a Preacher were respectable ; and his ministry was instructive and useful, admirably adapted to edify believers, and to direct penitent seekers of salvation to the Saviour. For the last five years of his life his strength gradually declined. He retained a lively sense of the Divine favour, and was daily preparing for the change that awaited him. He still loved reading, and his books were his companions to the last. For some time he had a painful anticipation of much suffering in the final struggle. In this, however, he was mercifully spared. On the evening of Saturday, April 12th, 1851, he retired to rest, in his usual state of health. About six the following morning, without a sigh or a groan, he passed away to glory, in the seventy-fifth year of his age, and the fifty-third of his ministry.

(16.) JOSEPH WOMERSLEY ; who died in the eighty-second year of his age, and the forty-seventh of his ministry. He was a man of uncommon ardour of mind, and strongly attached to the doctrines and discipline of Methodism. As a Minister, he was laborious and zealous ; and, notwithstanding occasional eccentricity in his social intercourse, he had great love to souls, and was often useful. During the long period of his retirement from the active service, he maintained great integrity of character, and was ever ready to exert himself in the cause of his Divine Master. As he drew nearer to the close of life, he manifestly grew in grace, and ripened for his solemn change ; while yet, in his own estimation, he was the “ chief of sinners,” and “ less than the least of all saints.” But, while with deep self-abasement he deplored his unfaithfulness, his trust in the atoning sacrifice was lively and unshaken, and his prospect of heaven cheering and unclouded. He felt himself a sinner saved by grace ; and his uniform testimony was, “ I am happy, happy in God.” He finished his course with joy in the Helstone Circuit, April 23d, 1851.

(17.) JOHN ELAM ; who was born at Huddersfield, in 1825, and died in the Blyth Circuit, April 25th, 1851. He was converted to God in early life ; and the reality of the change was shown by the seriousness of his spirit, and the uprightness of his conduct. After labouring upwards of two years with general acceptance as a Local Preacher, he was appointed, in 1848, to a Circuit. His talents as a Preacher were respectable ; and his ministry, although well calculated to edify believers, was remarkable chiefly for its tendency to arouse the careless, and bring sinners to Christ. During his short ministerial career, he was instrumental in the conversion of many. His end was unexpected ; but he departed in peace, through faith in the Redeemer, whom he had earnestly and successfully preached to others. He died in the twenty-seventh year of his age, and the third of his ministry.

(18.) WILLIAM PEMBERTON, of the Newcastle-upon-Tyne Circuit ; who was born at Leeds, in the year 1806. At a very

established between you and us, we find cause of increasing joy ; and especially, as it tends to promote, on both sides of the Atlantic, a holy decision to stand fast in the same mind and in the same judgment. With sincere delight we learn your determination, dear Brethren, to “ stand in the ways, and see, and ask for the old paths,”—continually to preach the Atonement,—to spread the knowledge of the truth which saves the soul,—to magnify the offices of the Holy Spirit, and to seek His richer baptisms. Hailing every measure which tends to the progress of general education as strictly based on religious principles, or to any other great social improvement, let us together resolve that, by Divine grace, nothing shall divert our attention from the primary doctrines of a living Christianity, or from the simple and supreme work to which we have been set apart. Let us especially cherish the spirit of faith, and proclaim the word of God with full confidence in its efficiency. “ According as it is written, I believed, and therefore have I spoken ; we also believe, and therefore speak.” “ As the rain cometh down, and the snow from heaven, and returneth not thither, but watereth the earth, and maketh it bring forth and bud, that it may give seed to the sower, and bread to the eater : So,” says our gracious Lord, “ shall my word be that goeth forth out of my mouth : it shall not return unto Me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it.”

On your Missionary enterprises we cannot fail to look with the highest interest and pleasure. These we regard as rich in promise. Each of them will prove, by God’s blessing, a centre of evangelising effort. No passages of your Address have given us livelier satisfaction than those which relate to your *Eleven* Missions among the Indian tribes, and your *Thirty-Seven* Missions to the White settlements in Upper Canada. A plentiful harvest surely awaits you. Its first-fruits only are yet reaped. The labourers “ shall doubtless come again with rejoicing, bringing their sheaves with them.” In order to this, you, beloved Brethren, do not need that we remind you of the spirit of zeal and love to be cherished. You cannot but be animated, (and we cannot but sympathise in your sacred joy,) while you review the extension of your work, so beautifully illustrated by the statements of your venerable visiter from the Methodist Episcopal Church of the United States,—as well as in recording the continued favour of Christ in raising up among you a succession of faithful Ministers, and the blessing which descended on your recent Assembly. May your highest hopes be realised ; and may “ the beauty of the Lord our God” rest on you, on your successors, and on the Societies that enjoy your pastoral care, till time shall be no more !

To DR. RICHEY our affectionate sympathy is offered, on the occasion of his recent illness ; and it is our earnest hope that the

“ Found the rest we toil to find,
Landed in the arms of God.”

He died at Tadcaster, on the 1st of June, 1851, in the fifty-seventh year of his age, and the twenty-ninth of his ministry.

(20.) JAMES GOLDING; who was born at Hadleigh, Suffolk, in the year 1783. Early in life he was convinced of sin; and soon after, through faith in the blood of Christ, he obtained a clear evidence of his acceptance with God. Having a deep conviction that it was his duty to call sinners to repentance, he was admitted as a probationer into our ministry, in the year 1810; and he continued his labours with lively zeal and untiring diligence to the close of his pilgrimage. He was a man of ardent and cheerful piety: he lived in the spirit and habit of prayer, and was specially characterised by the kindliness of his disposition. As a Preacher of the Gospel, he was distinguished by the plainness, point, impressiveness, and practical character of his sermons. They were the result of a careful study of the word of God, of an extensive acquaintance with some of the best theological writers, and of habits of thought and reflection; and were delivered with great earnestness, fidelity, and affection. In his pastoral intercourse with the people of his charge, he peculiarly sympathised with the poor and afflicted. His conversation was often singularly instructive and edifying. He was a man of original mind, of sound judgment, and of great integrity; enjoying a large share of the affection of his brethren, and of the churches of Christ for whose benefit he laboured. During the course of the last year his health began to fail; and, while attending the sittings of the late Bedford and Northampton District-Meeting, (in which he had requested permission to become a Supernumerary at this Conference,) he was seized with an affliction which, in a few days, terminated in his death. For a time his sufferings were excruciating; but they were borne with uncomplaining resignation to the will of God. His mind was kept in peace. To an inquiry respecting the state of his soul, and his future prospects, he replied, “I am going home: I shall soon be with Jesus!” After labouring in the work of the ministry for nearly forty-one years, with a spotless character, and with general acceptance and great usefulness, he died in the Lord, June 6th, 1851, in the sixty-eighth year of his age.

(21.) ROBERT WOOD, son of the venerable James Wood; who inherited the blessing of a pious parentage. He was educated at Kingswood-school, under a discipline which, if it tended on the one hand to check the buoyancy and ardour of youth, was adapted to form it to habits of prompt obedience, steady industry, and self-restraint. The seeds of religious truth were early planted in his mind; and, under the blessing of God, were followed by the fruit of a decided conversion. In the year 1811 Mr. Wood was received as a probationer for the Wesleyan ministry, and entered on its

APPENDIX.

I.

DECLARATION OF WESLEYAN MINISTERS.

WE, the undersigned Wesleyan Ministers, deem it a duty to make known our convictions and purposes in relation to the leading questions which are at present agitated in some parts of our Connexion. They who have voluntarily placed themselves under our pastoral care, that they may enjoy those religious advantages which the system handed down to us from our fathers affords, have a right to expect this from us; and, however painful may be the occasion which renders it necessary, we do not shrink from its fulfilment.

I. 1. We cannot do this, however, without first pronouncing such an agitation as the present one to be altogether opposed to the spirit of our holy religion, and to the unequivocal dictates of the word of God. Slander and falsehood are distinctly forbidden. They are, with a plainness which admits no possibility of mistake, declared to be as contrary to the great law of love, as sins of the flesh are contrary to the great law of evangelical purity. In the sight of God they occasion the same guilt, and are equally destructive of the Christian character and position.

2. The agitation is as un-Methodistical as it is un-Christian. There are provisions in our system for the redress of any real grievances, and for the suggestion of any practical improvements which circumstances may show to be safe and desirable. But, instead of taking this constitutional course, the appeal has been made to the public at large; not only to members of other Churches, who cannot be supposed to have any sympathy with our peculiar principles and usages, and who in many instances do not even understand them; but also to what the agitators themselves would acknowledge to be "the world." And appeals are made to them on such principles only as worldly men can understand. The objects of ministerial discipline and of Christian communion are obviously beyond the reach of worldly appreciation; and therefore, by an assumed analogy of civil proceedings and social customs, has it been vainly sought to procure the condemnation of decisions founded on a higher law, and having respect to objects altogether different from those which worldly society contemplates.

3. Nor is the manner in which this is done by any means to be overlooked. It forms one of the darkest features of the case. It is, in the worst sense of the term, revolutionary. It tends directly to confusion and anarchy. It is the endeavour to procure the redress of alleged grievances in the Church by popular clamour and excitement, superseding the investigation of the subject by the regularly constituted authorities, overruling all order and law, and

exercise of penitent trust in the atonement, he obtained the knowledge of salvation by the remission of sins, and united himself with the Wesleyan Methodists. He now became active in various plans of usefulness, until the Conference of 1811 called him to a more extensive sphere of action. As a Preacher, he was plain, practical, and useful; labouring often with very encouraging success. He was devoted, consistent, and zealous. For fifty years he was enabled to retain the sense of acceptance with God. He was a judicious Superintendent, and a kind and faithful colleague. His uniformly upright conduct, and his serious, gentle, and obliging behaviour, secured for him warm friendship and general esteem. During his last illness, he gave the most clear and satisfactory statements as to his spiritual state and blissful prospects; and he was, throughout, most mercifully delivered from harassing conflicts with his spiritual foes. He often spoke of death with an untroubled spirit, and in the language of assured confidence. At length, in great peace, he quitted this scene of toil and sorrow, for the rest and joy of heaven, on Sunday morning, June 15th, 1851, in the sixty-sixth year of his age, and the fortieth year of his ministry.

(23.) **FREDERICK CALDER.** Converted to God at the age of fifteen, he consecrated his youthful affection and service on the altar of the Saviour's love. The saving mercy he had experienced, he was constrained to recommend to others. At the age of twenty-three, he was separated for the work of the ministry, to which his energies were devoted for thirty-four years. At the close of that period, an accident, followed by severe indisposition, compelled him to retire into comparative seclusion. His ministrations were earnest, practical, persuasive, varied, and successful. In the important spheres of labour he occupied, many were the seals of his ministry, who will be his "joy," and "crown of rejoicing," "in the presence of our Lord Jesus Christ." His mind was carefully and diligently cultivated by assiduous application. Several literary efforts proved that his information was varied and considerable. His last illness was affectingly short and painful, but was borne with uncomplaining resignation. When reminded of his approaching dissolution, he touchingly remarked, "There is light in the valley." The gloom of death was dispelled by the Saviour's presence, and he entered into the joy of his Lord on the 20th of June, 1851, in the sixty-sixth year of his age.

(24.) **FRANCIS COLLIER;** who, in early youth, had few opportunities of acquiring either religious knowledge or godly habits. About his twentieth year, by means of the Methodist ministry, a deep impression was made upon his mind; and shortly after, under the powerful preaching of the late Rev. John Nelson, he yielded to conviction, gave himself to God, and at once joined the Methodist Society. He was soon appointed to take charge of

a class. The duties of this new office were discharged with constancy and fidelity. Mr. Collier exemplified a tone of piety, and an aptness to teach, such as led his Ministers to urge upon him the importance of calling sinners to repentance. Having given proof of gifts and graces, he entered upon the labours of the ministry in the twenty-seventh year of his age. Through a protracted life he maintained an unblemished character. His love to Christ and His cause was ardent and active. His energy was great; and his efforts to edify the church were on many occasions crowned with success. His habit of reading was continued till near the close of life; and his profiting appeared in a mind richly stored with theological and much general knowledge. His prayers, especially those offered in his visitation of the aged, the infirm, and the sick, were remarkable for simplicity and beauty; carefully entering into the minutiae of each individual case, and leaving the subjects of them refreshed and edified. His preaching was characterised by originality of thought, and by strength: it was pointed, thoroughly evangelical, and often powerful. As a Pastor, he was diligent, faithful, and conscientious, endeavouring to do everything in the proper time and place. His views of Wesleyan polity were sound; and to the whole economy of Methodism he was warmly attached. His courage and resignation were tested by protracted domestic affliction, and by sundry painful bereavements; but they never failed. When compelled by infirmity to retire from active duties, he cheerfully rendered his brethren all the help that it was in his power to offer. When his strength was obviously declining, he cherished more intimate intercourse with the Father of mercies, and evinced a growing preparation for heaven. He intimated his entire resignation to his Lord's will. To prepare for this event had been the chief object of his life; and, with scarcely a struggle, he fell asleep in Jesus, on the 25th of June, 1851, in the eighty-second year of his age, and the fifty-fifth of his ministry.

(25.) JAMES BUMSTEAD; who was born in the year 1786. Through the influence of his brother, the Rev. John Bumstead, he was induced to attend the Wesleyan ministry soon after its introduction into his native village. Shortly afterwards he was deeply convinced of sin, and found peace with God. He entered on the work of the ministry in the year 1807, and faithfully discharged its various duties until the year 1843, when, by reason of age and growing infirmities, he became a Supernumerary. During his protracted course of ministerial labour, he secured the respect of our people by an unblemished character, an amiable disposition, deep piety, and uniform devotedness to God. To the doctrines and discipline of Methodism he was sincerely and ardently attached. As a Preacher, he was clear, simple, and instructive; and his sermons were much valued, especially by the more devout and discerning of his hearers. To the last he continued to labour

in the cause of his great Master, so far as his strength would allow. Sanctified affliction had greatly matured his piety. On the Sunday before his death, he assisted in administering the sacrament of the Lord's supper, being apparently in his usual state of health. On the Tuesday following he was taken ill, and on Thursday he died. His last sickness, though brief, was attended with very severe suffering. In faith and patience he calmly waited till his change should come. Death was disarmed of its sting; and, a short time before his decease, with rapturous joy, he exclaimed, "I am going to glory! I have victory, victory, through the blood of the Lamb!" He departed this life on the 26th of June, 1851, aged sixty-five years.

(26.) THOMAS TALBOYS; who was born at Cam, in the county of Gloucester, January 3d, 1773. About the age of eighteen he enlisted into the army; and he was afterwards sent to the West Indies. There he was deeply convinced of sin, and the pains of hell gat hold upon him; but he was destitute of the Book of God, and had no guide to direct him to the Saviour. He associated with a few Romanists, and was led to "confession." But he felt the burden of sin painful and intolerable. He purchased his discharge from the army, and returned to his native land. There he was persuaded to join our Society, and he experienced the pardoning love of God. His burden fell off; he felt the peace which passeth all understanding, and soon became anxious to make known to others the love of Christ. He was in due course accepted by the Conference, and sent out as a Missionary to the West Indies. On the Mission-stations he was greatly persecuted; but he maintained a steady and successful course. By his instrumentality, hundreds were led to join the church of Christ. His name is still "as ointment poured forth." He was a man of deep piety, as well as of great kindness and urbanity; one greatly beloved by the people of his charge. He stood high in their affection abroad, and in the English Circuits in which he laboured. Cultivating pastoral habits, he visited from house to house. His preaching was clear, pointed, faithful, convincing, and useful. Religion was with him the business of life, and pervaded the whole of his conversation. When he was reduced to the feebleness of childhood, and confined three years to his house and bed, religion appeared to engage all his mind, and the Mission-cause never lost the highest place in his affection. His religious experience was cloudless, and his end eminently peaceful. He died at Dursley, on Sabbath morning, July 27th, 1851, in the seventy-ninth year of his age, and the forty-third of his ministry.

2. In *Ireland*, three; viz.,—

(1.) JOHN CAMPBELL. He was born in the county of Down. He had few early advantages, religious or literary. When about

eighteen years of age, by attending the ministry of the Wesleyan Methodists, he was awakened to a sense of his fallen state; and, having "fled for refuge to lay hold upon the hope set before" him, he found "redemption through the blood of Christ, even the forgiveness of sins." In process of time, he gave such evidences of piety, of acquaintance with the word of God, and of zeal for the salvation of sinners, that he was recommended to the Conference, and appointed to a Circuit in the year 1812. He continued to travel till 1842, when, from increasing infirmities, he became a Supernumerary. He was a man of good understanding, sincere piety, and integrity; and was steady in his attachment to the doctrines and the discipline of Methodism. His sermons were plain expositions of the word of God, and were delivered with an earnestness of manner which proved that he felt the vast importance of the truths he taught. He loved the means of grace; and, while a Supernumerary, delighted to attend the public worship of God, whenever the state of his health permitted. For several weeks before his death, disease seriously affected his intellect; but, even in the wanderings of his mind, there was strong evidence that his affections were placed on heaven and heavenly things. He died March 4th, 1851, aged sixty-six years.

(2.) JAMES M'CUTCHAN; who was born at Mayne, in the county of Tyrone. His parents were members of the Methodist Society; and he profited by his advantages. While yet young, having been deeply convinced of his depravity, guilt, and danger, he was filled with penitential grief, and, in the exercise of faith in the atonement of Christ, obtained the justifying grace of God. The love of God inspired him with earnest love to his fellow-men, which led him to exert himself to call sinners to repentance; nor were his efforts fruitless. In the year 1801 he was called to engage in the work of the ministry; and he laboured in the sacred calling for forty years. He proved himself an active, laborious, and faithful Minister of Jesus Christ. He understood our doctrines, and was cordially attached to our discipline. He was a plain, practical, and impressive Preacher, and a diligent and faithful Superintendent; and, when he became a Supernumerary, he efficiently helped his brethren in the ministry, so long as his health permitted, by preaching, meeting a class, and conducting prayer-meetings. His death was sudden, but safe. The day before he expired, he was able to walk out, and attend to some family arrangements. The succeeding night he was seized with illness; and at noon of the following day, the 25th of April, 1851, he fell asleep in Jesus, in the seventy-sixth year of his age, and the fiftieth of his ministry.

(3.) JAMES SULLIVAN, of the Nenagh and Killaloe Mission. He was born in the county of Fermanagh, and was converted to God in the year 1818. In the the summer of 1824 he was called

to the ministry of the Gospel in our Connexion ; and he laboured for the most part on the Irish Missions. He was distinguished by uprightness and decision of character, and by indefatigable exertions in the cause of Christ. His preaching was faithful, searching, and truly evangelical. He had accurate views of Gospel truth ; and he deeply felt the responsibilities of the Christian ministry. He expounded the doctrines of Methodism with great clearness, and he faithfully carried out its discipline. His sound judgment and zeal, in regard to the erection of chapels and chapel-houses, will prove a lasting benefit to the Irish Connexion. For many of his later years his health was very infirm, and for several months his sufferings were distressingly severe ; but he continued to exert himself to the utmost, in various valuable services to the church, as long as he had any remaining strength. He preached his last sermon six weeks before his death. A friend, who visited him within that period, made mention of his labours. He said, “My labours? I look not to my labours, but to Christ. I cannot charge myself with ‘handling the word of God deceitfully ;’ but I can now trust only in Christ, *and this is enough.*” He expressed a deep concern for the place where he was about to finish his course ; often prayed fervently for it ; and, commending his family, and the people amongst whom he had ministered the word of life, to the care of the Head of the church, he entered into his rest, May 2d, 1851, in the twenty-seventh year of his ministry.

3. In our *Foreign Missions*, two have died ; viz.,—

(1.) THOMAS LAIDMAN HODGSON, Chairman and General Superintendent of the Cape-Town District, South Africa. The early portion of his life, though never marked by serious immorality, was passed, to a considerable extent, in the amusements and vanities of the world ; and it was not till he had arrived at the age of twenty-three, that he yielded to the strivings of the Holy Spirit. At that season he “submitted himself to the righteousness of God,” during a revival that took place at Darlington, in Durham, the place of his birth. Some time after this change, the secret intimation was conveyed to his mind—an intimation which eventually matured into strong conviction—that it was his duty to preach the Gospel ; and, though he had sacrifices to make, and many obstacles stood in his way, he was not disobedient to the heavenly call. Following the indications of Providence, and sincerely anxious for Divine guidance, he soon found himself in “a plain path,” and entered upon the solemn and important duties of the ministry. This occurred in 1815. At that early period of his ministry, his labours were richly blessed, and his encouragements abounded. The fervour, energy, and sweetness of his early ministry were preserved to the end of his course. When he had spent nearly six years in the English work, having a strong desire to enter the foreign field, he offered himself for that service.

and was appointed by the Committee to South Africa. For nearly eight years he laboured amongst the Bechuanas, amidst many hardships, alarms, and dangers; yet, evidently, not without success. In the early part of 1831, it being rendered indispensable by domestic circumstances that he should return to his native land, he arrived here in May of that year. After spending some years in English Circuits, he once more left England for South Africa, being appointed to the Cape-Town Circuit, where he arrived in 1836; and in the following year he took charge of the Cape of Good Hope District. From the time of his arrival till he finished his career, he resided in Cape-Town. During this period especially, he abounded in labours; his assiduity and zeal suffering no diminution by the lapse of years. The results of his diligence were visible and cheering, the number of church-members at the time of his death being nearly six-fold greater than when he took charge of the Missions fourteen years before. His disposition showed many amiable features: he was kind, obliging, and benevolent to all; affectionate, considerate, and communicative to his brethren in the ministry. He was a pattern of humility; ever ready to take the lowest place, whilst by age and office he was entitled to the highest; "esteeming others better than himself." His attachment to the Wesleyan system, in all its departments, was firm; and he never wavered. He was eminently a man of peace; yet, when necessity was laid upon him, he did not neglect the more painful duties to which he was called in defending that system. For several months before his decease, his health had been evidently failing. He did not anticipate, however, that the last messenger was so near at hand, till within a very short period of his death. Yet he was ready for the will of his heavenly Father; and when the summons came, it found him blessedly prepared. The sting of death was extracted, and he hailed the messenger that came to liberate him from an evil and suffering state, and introduce him to one of unmixed felicity. "If death come," he exclaimed, "welcome, welcome, welcome!" On the same day he cried out, "Victory! victory! victory! victory through the blood of the Lamb, the blood of the Lamb, the blood of the Lamb! He is mine, mine, mine, for ever, for ever, for ever." Similar exclamations of triumph were often on his lips, till very near death. On the evening of June 21st, 1850, without a sigh or a struggle, his spirit calmly passed from earth into the realms of felicity, in the sixty-third year of his age, and the thirty-fifth of his ministry.

(2.) EDWARD S. THOMPSON; who was converted to God when fifteen years of age; and, having been employed as a Local Preacher for some time in the Kingswood Circuit, in England, was admitted on trial for the work of the ministry in 1841. He arrived in Jamaica in 1842; and in the several Circuits in which
 1, he was successful and beloved. He was a zealous

and laborious Missionary, a young man of much promise, possessing respectable pulpit talents, and highly esteemed by his brethren in the District. For some time before the close of 1849, Mr. Thompson had been suffering from frequent and severe sicknesses. In the early part of last year he applied for permission to return home. That permission arrived a few weeks before his last illness; but anxiety to remain at his post until his successor's arrival, prompted him to defer for a month or two to take advantage of the leave obtained. On Sabbath, the 24th of November, he preached his last sermon, and as if conscious that it was his last. The topic selected was the watchman's responsibility. (Ezek. xxxiii. 7—9.) The cholera, which was raging around, gave intense solemnity to the subject, which was evidently felt both by the Preacher and the people; nor is it likely soon to be forgotten. The same night fever came on, and continued with but slight intermission until the Sabbath evening following, when his already emaciated frame sunk under the influence of the disease, and his happy spirit entered a more genial clime. He died at Duncan's, in great peace, in the thirty-third year of his age, and the tenth of his ministry.

Q. V. Are there **OBJECTIONS** to any of our Ministers, or Preachers on Trial?

A. They were examined one by one.

Q. VI. What persons, who were in full connexion with the Conference, have now **CEASED TO BE RECOGNISED** as Ministers among us?

A. 1. John Luddington.

2. Joseph C. Warner and John Hagan have retired for want of health.

Q. VII. How are our Ministers, and Preachers on Trial, **STATIONED** for the ensuing year?

A. As follows; viz.,—

[N.B. Each of the places mentioned in these Stations, and numbered from 1 to 502, is the head of a Circuit.]

The Superintendent and other Minister or Ministers stationed in or appointed to the several Circuits undermentioned, is and are appointed by the Conference to preach, and to perform all acts of religious worship and Methodist discipline, in each and every of the Wesleyan-Methodist Chapels already erected, or to be erected, within each Circuit respectively, within the space of twelve calendar months, at such time or times, and in such manner, as to him or them shall seem proper; subject nevertheless to the Superintendent Minister.]

GREAT BRITAIN.

[JOHN HANNAH, D.D., PRESIDENT OF THE CONFERENCE.

JOHN FARRAR, SECRETARY.]

I.—THE LONDON DISTRICT.

1 *First London*, (*City-Road, &c.*) Charles Prest, Henry Bleby,
Thomas Pennington, Frederick J. Jobson, J.

- 30 *Dorking and Horsham*, Edward Crofts, George Buckley.
 N.B. Brother Buckley shall reside at Horsham.
 JOHN BEECHAM, D.D., *Chairman of the District*.
 FREDERICK J. JOBSON, *Financial Secretary*.

II.—THE BEDFORD AND NORTHAMPTON DISTRICT.

- 31 *Bedford and Ampthill*, William H. Clarkson, Walter Coates, Thomas B. Goodwin; Maximilian Wilson, William Dixon, Alexander Hume, Supernumeraries.
 32 *Leighton-Buzzard*, John Booth, George Ranyell, George Blencowe.
 N.B. Brother Ranyell shall reside at Stewkley.
 33 *Luton*, Wright Shovelton, Matthew T. Male.
 34 *Dunstable*, James Rosser, John Vanes.
 35 *St. Neot's*, John D. Julian, James Sugden, John Dixon; John Piggott, Supernumerary.
 36 *Biggleswade*, Robert Maxwell, John W. Wilson.
 37 *Hitchin*, Benjamin Andrews, LL.D., John Dawson.
 N.B. The Ministers of the two preceding Circuits shall change on one Sunday in every six weeks.
 38 *Huntingdon*, Thomas M. Rodham, Nathaniel Alston, William L. Wingell.
 39 *Northampton*, John Wevill, William Tarr; William Hinson, William Taylor, Supernumeraries.
 40 *Towcester*, James S. Haigh, Henry Keet.
 41 *Daventry*, Joseph T. Wilkinson, Samuel Wesley, Samuel S. Taylor.
 42 *Newport-Pagnell*, Samuel H. Wardley, James Hartle.
 43 *Higham-Ferrers*, John Pearce, John Webb.
 44 *Wellingborough*, William W. Rouch, John T. Morley; John Cullen, Supernumerary.
 45 *Kettering*, Henry Banks; Henry Fish, M.A., Supernumerary.
 46 *Market-Harborough*, Thomas Pearson, 1st, Charles Hillard; Richard Eland, sen., Supernumerary.
 N.B. Brother Hillard shall devote every other Sabbath to the Kettering Circuit.
 47 *Chatteris*, Charles Carter, Benjamin Field.
 48 *Oundle*, John Tucker, William J. Dawson; Isaac Aldom, Supernumerary.

BENJAMIN ANDREWS, LL.D., *Chairman of the District*.
 JAMES ROSSER, *Financial Secretary*.

III.—THE KENT DISTRICT.

- 49 *Canterbury*, James Cooke, 1st, Edward Fison; Joseph Wilson, Supernumerary.
 50 *Faversham*, Jesse Pilcher, Charles G. Turton.
 51 *Rochester*, Philip Hardcastle, James P. Dunn.
 52 *Gravesend*, Martin Jubb, John Jones, 3d.
 N.B. Brother Jones shall reside at Dartford.

- 53 *Sheerness*, William Wedlock, who shall change on one Sunday in every six weeks with the Ministers of the Rochester Circuit.
- 54 *Margate*, Joseph Hollis, John G. Wilson ; Robert Morton, Supernumerary.
N.B. Brother Wilson shall reside at Ramsgate.
- 55 *Dover*, Walter O. Croggon, John W. Dawson, Charles E. Woolmer ; James Jarrett, Supernumerary.
- 56 *Deal*, James Rathbone, John Gilbert.
- 57 *Rye*, James Cheeswright, James Smith.
- 58 *Tenterden*, Edmund Lockyer, George Rowe.
- 59 *Ashford*, Thomas Dove, William Harley.
- 60 *Sandhurst*, Jabez Rought, Robert Dyson.
- 61 *Maidstone*, John Geden, William Hopewell.
- Sittingbourne*, John Smith, 1st, who shall change on one Sunday in every four weeks with the Ministers at Faversham.

JOHN GEDEN, *Chairman of the District.*

JAMES COOKE, 1st, *Financial Secretary.*

IV.—THE NORWICH AND LYNN DISTRICT.

- 62 *Norwich*, James J. Topham, Thomas Rigby, Thomas Wilde ; John Hanwell, Supernumerary.
- 63 *Bungay*, James Jones, 1st, William O. Aldom ; William Edwards, 1st, Supernumerary.
- 64 *North-Walsham*, Benjamin G. Mitchell, George Smith, 1st, Robert Horwood.
- 65 *Yarmouth*, James Allen, 2d, Thomas Hulme ; James Waller, Supernumerary.
- 66 *Lowestoff*, Francis S. Keeling, Frederick F. Edmunds.
- 67 *Framlingham and Peasenhall*, Joseph Sykes, John Poulton.
N.B. Brother Sykes shall reside at Peasenhall, and Brother Poulton at Framlingham.
- 68 *Diss*, Thomas Brumwell, John Sharman, Thomas Haslam ; John Reynolds, 1st, Supernumerary.
- 69 *New-Buckenham*, Robert Mainwaring, James F. Masters.
- 70 *Bury St. Edmund's*, Richard Tabraham, John Danks.
- 71 *Holt*, William Worker, Robert G. Badcock.
- 72 *Lynn*, William Wilson, 2d, Thornley Smith, James D. Dodgson.
- 73 *Swaffham*, Joseph Mortimer, Frederick Hart.
- 74 *Downham*, John Hague, Matthew Giles.
- 75 *Walsingham*, John Mann, Charles B. Ritchie.
- 76 *Wisbeach*, John Owen, Thomas Hughes ; William Dalby, Supernumerary.
- 77 *Thetford*, William Baddeley, John Livingston.
N.B. Brother Livingston shall reside at Methwold.
- 78 *Mildenhall*, Charles Povah, Charles Garrett ; Thomas Newton, Supernumerary.

- 79 *Ely*, Samuel Trueman, John Moore, Henry Pollinger.
 JAMES J. TOPHAM, *Chairman of the District*.
 JAMES ALLEN, 2d, *Financial Secretary*.

V.—THE OXFORD DISTRICT.

- 80 *Oxford*, Robert Day, John E. Cooke.
 81 *High-Wycombe*, James Bartholomew, Thomas Withington.
 82 *Aylesbury*, James Ray, John S. Vickers.
 83 *Witney*, Peter C. Horton, John Dowty.
 84 *Banbury*, Richard Hornabrook, Richard Bell.
 Kington, John Anderson, who shall change on one Sunday
 in every month with the Ministers at Banbury.
 85 *Newbury*, William Davies, 2d, James P. Fairbourn.
 86 *Reading*, Alexander Strachan, Alexander Puddicombe;
 Samuel Leigh, Supernumerary.
 87 *Hungerford*, Charles Williams, Uriah Butters, Charles Willis;
 William Homer, Supernumerary.
 88 *Watlington*, George F. Driver.
 Thame, John P. Johnson; Paul Clarke, Supernumerary.
 N.B. The Ministers of the two preceding Circuits
 shall change on one Sunday in every six
 weeks.
 89 *Brackley*, Elijah Toyne, George Clement.
 90 *Chipping-Norton*, Samuel Cooke, Miles B. Pickering.
 91 *Swindon*, Ebenezer Tovey, James Hughes.
 N.B. Brother Hughes shall reside at Far-
 rington.
 92 *Wantage*, James Mayer, William F. Clark.
 N.B. Brother Clark shall reside at Abingdon.
 ROBERT DAY, *Chairman of the District*.
 PETER C. HORTON, *Financial Secretary*.

VI.—THE PORTSMOUTH DISTRICT.

- 93 *Portsmouth*, William M. Harvard, A.M., Jacob Stanley, John
 Hearnshaw.
 94 *Gosport*, Thomas Martin, who shall change with the Ministers
 at Portsmouth on one Sunday in every month.
 95 *Salisbury*, John Crofts, John Parry; William Tranter,
 Supernumerary.
 96 *Poole*, James Smeeth, Joseph Bate; James Hyde,
 Supernumerary.
 Wareham, William Watson, who shall act under the direction
 of the Superintendent at Poole.
 97 *Wimborne*, John Fletcher, Joseph Simpson; Thomas Fletcher,
 Supernumerary.
 98 *Ringwood*, Edward Baylis, who shall change regularly on the
 Lord's day with the Ministers at Poole.
 99 *Newport, Isle of Wight*, John Wood, 1st, Joseph Entwisle, John
 Philp, David Barley.

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XXIX. *Carlisle District.*

	Nos.	Yearly Collection.			Grants.			July Collection.		
		£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
Carlisle	341	11	13	6	34	0	0	5	11	6
Brampton	195	3	12	6	30	10	5	1	15	0
Whitehaven	362	4	5	0	70	0	0	1	9	0
Workington	482	4	9	0				3	0	0
Appleby.....	576	4	10	0				3	12	0
Penrith	766	14	7	6				8	8	0
Wigton and Keswick	271	6	0	0	91	0	0	3	0	0
Kendal	775	7	9	6				5	5	9
Ulverstone.....	208	4	12	6	48	0	0	3	16	0
Dumfries	58	2	12	6	51	0	0	0	17	6
Totals	4034	63	12	0	324	10	5	36	14	9

XXX. *Isle of Man District.*

Douglas and Castletown ..	1581	20	0	0				8	8	9
Ramsay and Peel	1729	15	0	0				4	16	0
Totals	3310	35	0	0				13	4	9

XXXI. *Edinburgh and
Aberdeen District.*

Edinburgh.....	570	14	7	6	137	14	0	4	0	0
Dunbar	56	1	10	0	21	12	0	0	17	0
Glasgow.....	889	15	7	6				2	15	8
Greenock	83	2	0	0				0	15	0
Airdrie and Stirling	419	5	0	0	93	0	0	1	0	0
Ayr	127	2	11	0	46	16	0	0	15	0
Aberdeen	342	8	10	9	27	0	0	2	15	6
Dundee	102	3	5	0	36	0	0	1	0	0
Perth	83	2	5	0	50	8	0	1	0	0
Arbroath	101	3	3	0	48	12	0	1	10	0
Banff.....	49	1	7	0	55	6	0	0	11	0
Inverness	55	1	16	0	48	12	0	0	16	0
Totals	2876	61	2	9	565	0	0	17	15	2

XXXII. *Shetland Isles
District.*

Lerwick.....	556	5	9	0	140	4	0	1	12	0
Walls.....	405	1	0	0	87	0	0	0	12	0
Northmavin, &c.	109	0	10	0	77	6	0	0	10	0
North Isles	153	1	0	0	55	10	0	0	10	0
Totals	1223	7	19	0	360	0	0	3	4	0

- 118 *Brizham*, William Jewett, James Mitchell.
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- 120 *Redruth*, Robert Bond, John G. Avery, John W. Greeves.
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 N.B. Brother Portrey shall reside at Tuckingmill.
 122 *Falmouth*, Levi Waterhouse, Joseph T. Sanger; John
 Osborne, Supernumerary.
 N.B. Brother Sanger shall reside at Penryn.
 123 *Truro*, George Scott, 1st, John Crawshaw.
 124 *Gwennap*, Joseph Biggs, George Hagen, Benjamin Brown.
 N.B. Brother Hagen shall reside at St. Day.
 125 *St. Agnes*, Henry Young, William D. Tyack.
 126 *St. Austle*, William Seccombe, Samuel Hooley, Francis W.
 Greeves.
 127 *St. Mawes*, Peter Parsons, who shall change once in every
 month, on the Lord's day, with the Ministers at
 St. Austle.
 128 *Bodmin*, John Killick, John Weatherell.
 129 *St. Columb*, Joseph Payne, John Shipham.
 130 *Penzance*, Henry Davies, Benjamin Slack, Henry L. Church;
 John Reynolds, 2d, Ralph Scurrah, Supernu-
 meraries.
 N.B. Brother Church shall reside at Newlyn.
 131 *St. Just*, Edwin J. Sturges, John Samuel Jones.
 132 *St. Ives*, John Williams, John Mollard.
 133 *Scilly Islands*, John B. Alexander.
 134 *Helstone*, Benjamin Carvosso, James Pilley, Joseph Spencer;
 William Sleep, Charles Colwell, Supernumeraries.
 135 *Hayle*, Everit Vigis, William Henley, Thomas Osborne.
 136 *Marazion*, George Savery, John Bramwell.

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 Odgers, William Beal, Supernumeraries.
Crediton, John Hugill.
 138 *Tiverton*, James Cooke, 2d, William J. Tweddle.
 139 *Taunton and Wellington*, Samuel Beard, Thomas Leach; John
 Hobson, Governor and Chaplain of the Wesleyan
 Proprietary School; John Simmons, Supernu-
 merary.
 N.B. Brother Leach shall reside at Wellington.
 140 *Bridgewater*, William Culcheth, William Williams, 2d.

- 141 *South-Petherton*, John Saunders, John Nowell, 2d.
N.B. Brother Nowell shall reside at Crewkerne.
- 142 *Axminster*, John Collier, who shall change on one Sabbath in every month with the Ministers at Bridport.
- 143 *Budleigh-Salterton*, Josiah Mycock, Thomas Chope.
- 144 *Bridport*, James Sutch, John Lewis, 2d.
N.B. Brother Lewis shall reside at Lyme-Regis.
- 145 *Barnstaple*, Robert Colman, James Nance.
- 146 *South-Moulton*, William S. Bestall, George Moone.
- 147 *Bideford*, John W. Roberts, Henry D. Lowe, Frederick C. Haime; John C. Clendinnen, Supernumerary.
N.B. Brother Lowe shall reside at Great-Torrington.
- 148 *Dunster*, Thomas Jefferies, Joshua Duffill.
N.B. The Superintendent shall reside at Williton.
- 149 *Oakhampton*, William Sanders, Alfred Mewton.
- 150 *Teignmouth*, John Nicklin, William P. Slater, Joseph Exell.
N.B. Brother Slater shall reside at Torquay, and Brother Exell at Newton-Bushell.

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- 152 *Bristol, South*, (*Langton-Street, &c.*,) Charles Westlake, Luke Tyerman, William Hessel; David Cornforth, Supernumerary.
- 153 *Kingswood*, John Spencer Jones, John S. Workman.
- 154 *Banwell*, John Evans, 1st, Henry Laughner; John Shipman, Supernumerary.
- 155 *Weston-super-Mare*, Henry Castle, who shall change on one Sabbath in every month with the Ministers at Banwell.
- 156 *Stroud*, Thomas Webb, George B. Mellor, Thomas James.
N.B. Brother James shall reside at Cirencester.
- 157 *Dursley*, William Davies, 1st, John Weatherstone, Charles Howe; Daniel Osborne, Supernumerary.
N.B. Brother Weatherstone shall reside at East-ington.
- 158 *Downend, (near Bristol,)* Joseph Fletcher, William Powell, 2d; Daniel Hateley, Supernumerary.
- 159 *Gloucester*, Charles Tucker, Richard Roberts.
- 160 *Tewkesbury*, Joseph Crump, Edwin Fice; James Roberts, Supernumerary.
- 161 *Cheltenham*, John Kirk, 1st, William H. Cornforth, George C. Harvard; George Robinson, Supernumerary.
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N.B. Brother Harvard shall reside at Winchcombe.

- 162 *Newport, (Monmouthshire,)* Thomas Jones, 1st, Frederick Payne, Edward Guest; Charles Haime, Supernumerary.
N.B. Brother Payne shall reside at Pillgwenlly.
- 163 *Cardiff,* William Appleby, John M'Kenny, John P. James.
N.B. Brother M'Kenny shall reside at Pontypriidd.
- 164 *Bridgend,* Joseph Lowthian, John Bramley.
N.B. Brother Bramley shall reside at Cowbridge.
- 165 *Monmouth and Forest of Dean,* Maurice Britton, William Shaw, 2d.
Thomas Arnett, Supernumerary.
N.B. Brother Shaw shall reside at Coleford.
- 166 *Chepstow,* Henry Hayman, who shall change with the Ministers at Newport on one Sabbath in every month.
- 167 *Abergavenny,* Samuel Taylor, John Knowles, 3d.
N.B. Brother Knowles shall reside at Crickhowell.
- 168 *Pontypool,* Charles Clay, George Kevern.
- 169 *Ledbury,* Thomas Sheers, Richard Eland, jun.
- 170 *Hereford,* James Meadmore, John Brown, 3d.

CORBETT COOKE, *Chairman of the District.*
CHARLES WESTLAKE, *Financial Secretary.*

XII.—THE BATH DISTRICT.

- 171 *Bath,* Peter Duncan, William Willan, John V. B. Shrewsbury; Thomas Ashton, Henry Cheverton, John W. Button, Supernumeraries; Joseph Cusworth, Governor of New Kingswood School.
- 172 *Bradford, (Wilts.,)* William P. Burgess, M.A., Ebenezer R. Talbot, M.A.
N.B. Brother Talbot shall reside at Trowbridge.
- 173 *Midsomer-Norton,* William Elton, John Martin, William Colbron.
- 174 *Frome,* John Newton, Henry M. Harvard; William Hill, 1st, Supernumerary.
Warminster, Thomas Bolas, who shall change on one Sunday in every six weeks with the Ministers at Frome.
- 175 *Melksham,* James Taylor, 1st, Walter Vercoe.
- 176 *Devizes,* Thomas Payne, who shall change on one Sunday in every six weeks with the Ministers at Melksham.
- 177 *Shepton-Mallet,* James Lees, Thomas Burrows.
N.B. Brother Burrows shall reside at Coleford.
- 178 *Castle-Carey, &c.,* William Mearns, A.M.
N.B. The Ministers of the Shepton-Mallet and Castle-Carey Circuits shall change once a month.
- 179 *Sherborne,* Zephaniah Job, Uriah Scott; John Bustard, Supernumerary.
- 180 *Weymouth,* Robert Dugdale, Josiah Goodwin.
N.B. Brother Goodwin shall reside at Portland.
- 181 *Dorchester,* John Stevens, Jonathan Dent.
- 182 *Shaftesbury,* William Baker, sen., Thomas R. Jones.

a class. The duties of this new office were discharged with constancy and fidelity. Mr. Collier exemplified a tone of piety, and an aptness to teach, such as led his Ministers to urge upon him the importance of calling sinners to repentance. Having given proof of gifts and graces, he entered upon the labours of the itinerancy in the twenty-seventh year of his age. Through a protracted life he maintained an unblemished character. His love to Christ and His cause was ardent and active. His energy was great ; and his efforts to edify the church were on many occasions crowned with success. His habit of reading was continued till near the close of life ; and his profiting appeared in a mind richly stored with theological and much general knowledge. His prayers, especially those offered in his visitation of the aged, the infirm, and the sick, were remarkable for simplicity and beauty ; carefully entering into the minutiae of each individual case, and leaving the subjects of them refreshed and edified. His preaching was characterised by originality of thought, and by strength : it was pointed, thoroughly evangelical, and often powerful. As a Pastor, he was diligent, faithful, and conscientious, endeavouring to do everything in the proper time and place. His views of Wesleyan polity were sound ; and to the whole economy of Methodism he was warmly attached. His courage and resignation were tested by protracted domestic affliction, and by sundry painful bereavements ; but they never failed. When compelled by infirmity to retire from active duties, he cheerfully rendered his brethren all the help that it was in his power to offer. When his strength was obviously declining, he cherished more intimate intercourse with the Father of mercies, and evinced a growing preparation for heaven. He intimated his entire resignation to his Lord's will. To prepare for this event had been the chief object of his life ; and, with scarcely a struggle, he fell asleep in Jesus, on the 25th of June, 1851, in the eighty-second year of his age, and the fifty-fifth of his ministry.

(25.) JAMES BUMSTEAD ; who was born in the year 1786. Through the influence of his brother, the Rev. John Bumstead, he was induced to attend the Wesleyan ministry soon after its introduction into his native village. Shortly afterwards he was deeply convinced of sin, and found peace with God. He entered on the work of the ministry in the year 1807, and faithfully discharged its various duties until the year 1843, when, by reason of age and growing infirmities, he became a Supernumerary. During his protracted course of ministerial labour, he secured the respect of our people by an unblemished character, an amiable disposition, deep piety, and uniform devotedness to God. To the doctrines and discipline of Methodism he was sincerely and ardently attached. As a Preacher, he was clear, simple, and instructive ; and his sermons were much valued, especially by the more devout and discerning of his hearers. To the last he continued to labour

- 200 *Aberystwith*, John Lloyd, Henry Parry.
 201 *Machynlleth*, John Herbert; William Evans, Supernumerary.
 N.B. The Ministers in the Machynlleth and Aberystwith Circuits shall change on one Sunday in every six weeks.
 202 *Llanidloes*, Evan Richards, Book-Steward; John Jones, 2d, Editor; Edward Jones, 1st, Griffith Hughes, Supernumeraries.
 THOMAS JONES, 2d, *Chairman of the District*.
 ISAAC JENKINS, *Financial Secretary*.

XV.—THE NORTH WALES DISTRICT.

(WELSH PREACHING.)

- 203 *Ruthin and Denbigh*, William Owens, William Jones.
 204 *Llangollen*, John L. Richards, Evan Davies.
 205 *Corwen*, John Hughes, 1st.
 N.B. 1. Brother Davies shall divide his labours between the Llangollen and Corwen Circuits.
 2. The Superintendents shall change on two Sundays in every quarter.
 206 *Llanrwst*, James Jones, 2d.
 207 *Abergele and Conway*, Edward Anwyl, Robert Jones, 2d.
 N.B. James Jones shall change with the Ministers of the Abergele and Conway Circuit on two Sundays in every quarter.
 208 *Holywell*, Lewis Jones, Thomas Morris.
 209 *Mold*, Methuselah Thomas, Isaac Jones.
 210 *Llanasa, (near Holywell,)* John Bartley.
 N.B. The Ministers of the Llanasa and Holywell Circuits shall change on two Sundays in every quarter.
 211 *Beaumaris*, Richard Prichard, Robert Jones, 3d.
 212 *Amlwch*, John Richards, 1st, Evan Pugh.
 N.B. Brother Pugh shall reside at Holyhead.
 213 *Carnarvon*, Robert Jones, 1st.
 214 *Bangor*, Richard Bonner, John Evans, 2d.
 N.B. The Ministers of the two preceding Circuits shall change on two Sundays in every quarter.
 215 *Pwllheli*, David Gravel; Evan Edwards, Supernumerary.
 216 *Barmouth*, Samuel Davies, 2d, Charles Nuttall.
 N.B. The Ministers of the two preceding Circuits shall change on two Sundays in every quarter.
 217 *Dolgelly*, William Davies, 3d, John Hughes, 2d.
 218 *Llanfyllin*, Humphrey Jones, Daniel Jones; William Batten, David Jones, 1st, Thomas Batten, Supernumeraries.

- 219 *Llanfair*, William Powell, 1st.
N.B. The Ministers of the two preceding Circuits shall change on two Sundays in every quarter.

EDWARD ANWYL, *Chairman of the District.*

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XVI.—THE BIRMINGHAM AND SHREWSBURY DISTRICT.

- 220 *Birmingham, West*, (*Cherry-Street, &c.*,) James Methley, George B. Macdonald, Edward Lightwood; James Heaton, Robert Melson, John Walsh, Supernumeraries.
- 221 *Birmingham, East*, (*Belmont-Row, &c.*,) John Bedford, James Dixon, D.D., Thomas Thompson, M.A.
- 222 *West-Bromwich*, William Jackson, 1st, William H. Sargent.
- 223 *Wednesbury*, Thomas Harris, James Laycock, Joseph Heaton, William Exley, Thomas Kent; Thomas Catterick, George Southern, Supernumeraries.
- 224 *Walsall*, Thomas Edwards, John Stirzaker, Henry Balls.
- 225 *Wolverhampton*, Robert Sherwell, John H. Norton, James Clapham.
- 226 *Dudley*, John Stephenson, James E. Moulton, Michael Johnson, George Curnock; John Parsons, Supernumerary.
- 227 *Stourbridge*, Benjamin John, Thomas Green, Richard Smailes; Samuel Sugden, Supernumerary.
- 228 *Stourport*, Henry Powis, Edward Russell.
- 229 *Worcester*, Joseph Hunt, Joseph Posnet.
- 230 *Bromsgrove*, Henry Ranson, who shall change on one Sabbath in every six weeks with the Ministers at Redditch.
- 231 *Evesham*, Charles W. Vibert, James Youngman.
- 232 *Redditch*, William Ricketts, Robert W. Horsfield.
- 233 *Coventry*, Charles Janion, John Roberts, 2d.
- 234 *Leamington*, James Allen, 1st, Alexander T. Weir.
- 235 *Stratford-upon-Avon*, Thomas Denham, who shall change on one Sabbath in every month with the Ministers at Leamington.
- 236 *Hinckley*, Thomas Jeffery, Thomas Pearson, 4th; William Stokes, Supernumerary.
- 237 *Shrewsbury*, John Keightley, John Nelson, 2d; Benjamin Wood, Supernumerary.
- 238 *Madeley, (near Ironbridge,)* Elijah Morgan, John Smart, William Moss, Frederick W. Briggs; Edward Sumner, Supernumerary.
- 239 *Wellington*, William Piggott, Edward Bramford, Joseph Willis.
- 240 *Ludlow*, Ralph Stott, John Locke.
- 241 *Kington*, Thomas Brothwood, James H. Bryant.

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to the ministry of the Gospel in our Connexion; and he laboured for the most part on the Irish Missions. He was distinguished by uprightness and decision of character, and by indefatigable exertions in the cause of Christ. His preaching was faithful, searching, and truly evangelical. He had accurate views of Gospel truth; and he deeply felt the responsibilities of the Christian ministry. He expounded the doctrines of Methodism with great clearness, and he faithfully carried out its discipline. His sound judgment and zeal, in regard to the erection of chapels and chapel-houses, will prove a lasting benefit to the Irish Connexion. For many of his later years his health was very infirm, and for several months his sufferings were distressingly severe; but he continued to exert himself to the utmost, in various valuable services to the church, as long as he had any remaining strength. He preached his last sermon six weeks before his death. A friend, who visited him within that period, made mention of his labours. He said, "My labours? I look not to my labours, but to Christ. I cannot charge myself with 'handling the word of God deceitfully;' but I can now trust only in Christ, *and this is enough.*" He expressed a deep concern for the place where he was about to finish his course; often prayed fervently for it; and, commending his family, and the people amongst whom he had ministered the word of life, to the care of the Head of the church, he entered into his rest, May 2d, 1851, in the twenty-seventh year of his ministry.

3. In our *Foreign Missions*, two have died; viz.,—

(1.) THOMAS LAIDMAN HODGSON, Chairman and General Superintendent of the Cape-Town District, South Africa. The early portion of his life, though never marked by serious immorality, was passed, to a considerable extent, in the amusements and vanities of the world; and it was not till he had arrived at the age of twenty-three, that he yielded to the strivings of the Holy Spirit. At that season he "submitted himself to the righteousness of God," during a revival that took place at Darlington, in Durham, the place of his birth. Some time after this change, the secret intimation was conveyed to his mind—an intimation which eventually matured into strong conviction—that it was his duty to preach the Gospel; and, though he had sacrifices to make, and many obstacles stood in his way, he was not disobedient to the heavenly call. Following the indications of Providence, and sincerely anxious for Divine guidance, he soon found himself in "a plain path," and entered upon the solemn and important duties of the ministry. This occurred in 1815. At that early period of his ministry, his labours were richly blessed, and his encouragements abounded. The fervour, energy, and sweetness of his early ministry were preserved to the end of his course. When he had spent nearly six years in the English work, having a strong desire to enter the foreign field, he offered himself for that service,

and was appointed by the Committee to South Africa. For nearly eight years he laboured amongst the Bechuanas, amidst many hardships, alarms, and dangers; yet, evidently, not without success. In the early part of 1831, it being rendered indispensable by domestic circumstances that he should return to his native land, he arrived here in May of that year. After spending some years in English Circuits, he once more left England for South Africa, being appointed to the Cape-Town Circuit, where he arrived in 1836; and in the following year he took charge of the Cape of Good Hope District. From the time of his arrival till he finished his career, he resided in Cape-Town. During this period especially, he abounded in labours; his assiduity and zeal suffering no diminution by the lapse of years. The results of his diligence were visible and cheering, the number of church-members at the time of his death being nearly six-fold greater than when he took charge of the Missions fourteen years before. His disposition showed many amiable features: he was kind, obliging, and benevolent to all; affectionate, considerate, and communicative to his brethren in the ministry. He was a pattern of humility; ever ready to take the lowest place, whilst by age and office he was entitled to the highest; "esteeming others better than himself." His attachment to the Wesleyan system, in all its departments, was firm; and he never wavered. He was eminently a man of peace; yet, when necessity was laid upon him, he did not neglect the more painful duties to which he was called in defending that system. For several months before his decease, his health had been evidently failing. He did not anticipate, however, that the last messenger was so near at hand, till within a very short period of his death. Yet he was ready for the will of his heavenly Father; and when the summons came, it found him blessedly prepared. The sting of death was extracted, and he hailed the messenger that came to liberate him from an evil and suffering state, and introduce him to one of unmixed felicity. "If death come," he exclaimed, "welcome, welcome, welcome!" On the same day he cried out, "Victory! victory! victory! victory through the blood of the Lamb, the blood of the Lamb, the blood of the Lamb! He is mine, mine, mine, for ever, for ever, for ever." Similar exclamations of triumph were often on his lips, till very near death. On the evening of June 21st, 1850, without a sigh or a struggle, his spirit calmly passed from earth into the realms of felicity, in the sixty-third year of his age, and the thirty-fifth of his ministry.

(2.) EDWARD S. THOMPSON; who was converted to God when fifteen years of age; and, having been employed as a Local Preacher for some time in the Kingswood Circuit, in England, was admitted on trial for the work of the ministry in 1841. He arrived in Jamaica in 1842; and in the several Circuits in which he laboured, he was successful and beloved. He was a zealous

- 280 *Stockport, South, (Hill-Gate, &c.,)* John Brandreth, John T. Yeates.
- 281 *New-Mills,* John Connon, John W. Crankshaw.
- 282 *Glossop,* John Raby, James Ford; George Marsden, Supernumerary.
- 283 *Ashton-under-Lyne,* Joseph Roberts, William H. Bambridge, David Griffiths; Luke Heywood, Supernumerary.
N.B. Brother Bambridge shall reside at Hyde.
- 284 *Oldham,* Samuel Timms, James Harris; John Heape, Supernumerary.
- 285 *Saddleworth,* Robert J. T. Hawksley, who shall change on one Sabbath in every five weeks with the Ministers at Oldham.
N.B. Brother Hawksley shall reside at Upper-Mill, near Manchester.
- 286 *Bolton,* William Burt, John E. Coulson, James Grose, James Little, Frederick F. Woolley.
N.B. Brother Woolley shall reside at Farnworth.
- 287 *Rochdale,* Thomas Staton, John Hornby.
- 288 *Burnley,* Jonathan J. Bates, John M. Kirk, John H. Lord.
- 289 *Bury,* William Wilson, 3d, John Vine, Edmund Oldfield.
- 290 *Blackburn,* William Brailey, William Lees.
- 291 *Haslingden,* William Simpson, John F. England, Thomas G. Horton; William Sleigh, Supernumerary.
- 292 *Bacup,* John Walker, Joseph Moorhouse.
N.B. Brother Moorhouse shall reside at Longholme, Rawtenstall.
- 293 *Colne,* Benjamin Gartside, John Eaton.
- 294 *Clitheroe,* Dixon Naylor, George E. Young.
- 295 *Leigh,* John Boyd.
N.B. Brother Boyd shall change on one Sabbath in every six weeks with the Ministers at Bolton.
- JOHN HANNAH, D.D., PRESIDENT OF THE CONFERENCE, *Chairman of the District.*
CHARLES HAYDON, *Financial Secretary.*

XX.—THE HALIFAX AND BRADFORD DISTRICT.

- 296 *Halifax,* George Jackson, Robert S. Hardy, William B. Pope; Michael Cousin, James B. Holroyd, John W. Barritt, Supernumeraries.
- 297 *Huddersfield, First, (Queen-Street, &c.,)* James Carr, Alexander M'Aulay, Samuel M'Aulay.
- 298 *Huddersfield, Second, (Buxton-Road, &c.,)* John M'Owan, William Bond.
- 299 *Holmfirth,* Benjamin Firth, Thomas Garbutt, 2d; Thomas Hill, Supernumerary.
- 300 *Sowerby-Bridge,* James C. Hindson, Daniel Walton, Thomas Raston.
- 301 *Todmorden,* Abraham Watmough, John S. Ridsdale, Thompson Hesk.

- 302 Denby-Dale,** Thomas J. Walker, who shall change once a month with the Ministers of the two Huddersfield Circuits, alternately.
- 303 Bradford, West,** (*Kirkgate Chapel, &c.,*) Willson Brailsford, Elijah Jackson; Stephen Wilson, Joseph Pretty, James Shoar, Thomas Kemshall, Supernumeraries.
- 304 Bradford, East,** (*Eastbrook Chapel, &c.,*) Robert Alder, D.D., Edward Brice, James D. Brocklehurst; William Bird, Supernumerary.
- 305 Great-Horton,** (*near Bradford,*) Peter Wilkinson, John Walters.
- 306 Keighley,** Thomas Dunn, George Hughes, Thomas Brookes. N.B. Brother Hughes shall reside at Haworth. Letters should be sent to Haworth, near Keighley.
- 307 Bingley,** James Catton, George Greenwood.
- 308 Shipley,** Samuel Allen, who shall change on one Sabbath in every five weeks with the Ministers at Bingley.
- 309 Skipton,** William Levell, Joseph Garrett.
- 310 Addingham,** Thomas Murray, Pascho Hoskins.
- 311 Grassington,** John Smithson, who shall change on one Sabbath in every six weeks with the Ministers at Skipton.
- 312 Settle,** Christopher Newton, John Jeffreys.
- ROBERT ALDER, D.D., *Chairman of the District.*
GEORGE JACKSON, *Financial Secretary.*

XXI.—THE LEEDS DISTRICT.

- 313 First Leeds,** (*Brunswick Chapel, &c.,*) Robert Jackson, John H. James, Thomas Williams, 1st; John Roadhouse, Supernumerary.
- 314 Second Leeds,** (*Oxford-Place Chapel, &c.,*) Edward Walker, John Burton, John W. Etheridge, Ph. D., Thomas S. Monkhouse; John Hodgson, Thomas Rowland, Supernumeraries.
- 315 Third Leeds,** (*St. Peter's Chapel, &c.,*) Joseph Lawton, Samuel R. Hall, Thomas O. Keysell.
- 316 Fourth Leeds,** (*Wesley Chapel, &c.,*) Thomas H. Squance, John Watson, William R. Williams.
- 317 Bramley,** (*near Leeds,*) Thomas Dickin, Thomas Richardson; Charles Radcliffe, Supernumerary.
- 318 Wakefield,** Benjamin Clough, Robert M. Willcox, Charles Rawlings.
- 319 Birstal,** Isaac Denison, Matthew Cranswick, James Scholes; James Fowler, Hodgson Casson, Supernumeraries.
- 320 Dewsbury,** Thomas Hodgson, William Chambers, Henry Kirkland.
N.B. Brother Kirkland shall reside at Mirfield.
- 321 Knaresborough,** John Roberts, 1st, William Wilson, 4th; Luke Barlow, Supernumerary.

- Waddy, Daniel West, William Edwards, 2d ;
John Kershaw, Isaac Phenix, sen., Isaac Phenix,
jun., Supernumeraries.
- 9 *Deptford*, John Brown, 1st, Josiah Pearson ; Thomas Rogers,
Supernumerary.
N.B. The Superintendent shall reside at Green-
wich.
- 10 *Woolwich*, Robert Thompson, John W. Close.
- 11 *Hammersmith*, William D. Goy, Jacob Morton.
- 12 *Croydon*, John Knowles, 1st, James A. Macdonald, Jabez
Overton ; Edward Chapman, Supernumerary.
- 13 *Barking and Romford*, John L. Sanders, who shall change once in
every four weeks, on the Lord's day, with the
Ministers of the Third London Circuit.
- 14 *Leyton*, James Kendall, 1st, who shall change twice in every
quarter of a year, on the Lord's day, with the
Ministers of the First and Eighth London
Circuits.
- 15 *Ware and Bishop-Stortford*, John Richards, 2d, Robert T.
Rundle.
- 16 *Cambridge*, James Brownell, Marmaduke C. Osborn.
- 17 *Windsor*, William Box, John E. S. Williams.
- 18 *Chelmsford*, William Drewitt, Henry W. Jackson, B.A.
- 19 *Maldon*, Francis Barker, John Reacher.
N.B. Brother Reacher shall reside at Leigh.
- 20 *Colchester*, Samuel Lucas, 1st, William Allen, 3d ; William
Sharpe, Supernumerary.
- 21 *Manningtree*, Thomas Turner, Robert Keyworth, Robert S.
Ellis.
N.B. Brother Keyworth shall reside at Harwich.
- 22 *Ipswich*, Ebenezer Moulton, Richard Woodfin ; George
North, James Rowden, Supernumeraries.
N.B. Brother Woodfin shall reside at Wood-
bridge, Suffolk.
- 23 *Hastings*, John Hobkirk, Francis J. Sharr ; James Lancaster,
Thomas Rowe, Supernumeraries.
- 24 *Sevenoaks*, John Gregory, Alexander T. James.
- 25 *Tunbridge-Wells*, Edward Jennings, Benjamin Frankland, jun.,
B.A., Thomas Derry.
N.B. Brother Frankland shall reside at Tunbridge,
and Brother Derry at Peckham.
- 26 *Lewes and Eastbourne*, Joseph Pechey, who shall change regularly
with the Ministers of the Brighton Circuit.
- 27 *Brighton*, Peter Cooper, John Harvard, John Hebb.
N.B. Brother Harvard shall reside at Worthing.
- 28 *St. Alban's*, John Knowles, 2d, James Cooke, 3d.
N.B. Brother Cooke shall reside at Watford.
- 29 *Guildford and Alton*, Richard Chapman, John Eglinton, Thomas
Vinson.
N.B. Brother Eglinton shall reside at Alton.

- 340 Nottingham, North, (*Wesley Chapel, &c.*),** George Taylor, Timothy C. Ingle, Samuel Coley.
- 341 Ilkestone,** William Winterburn, who shall change once a month with the Ministers of the two Nottingham Circuits.
- 342 Mansfield,** Benjamin Clayton, John P. Lockwood; Richard Allen, Supernumerary.
- 343 Newark,** George Turner, 1st, John W. Thomas; John Hickling, Supernumerary.
- 344 Bingham,** Richard Heape, Thomas Crosby.
- 345 Leicester,** Joseph Raynar, Richard Brown; David Déakin, Supernumerary.
- 346 Melton-Mowbray,** Robert Gover, Edward Horton.
- 347 Oakham,** James Stott, Charles J. Williams.
N.B. Brother Williams shall reside at Uppingham.
- 348 Stamford,** Seth Dixon, Rupert Chawner; John Ingham, Supernumerary.
- 349 Grantham,** Joseph Floyd, William J. Skidmore.
- 350 Peterborough,** John H. Faull, Henry W. Holland.
- 351 Loughborough,** Frederick Slight, Edward Watson; William Fidler, Supernumerary.
- 352 Castle-Donington,** John Parkes, William L. Horton.
- 353 Derby,** William Horton, John Lambert, John Relph; Samuel Brocksop, Supernumerary.
- 354 Ashbourne,** Richard Sergeant, who shall change once a month with the Ministers at Derby.
- 355 Belper,** Thomas Shaw, Peter Featherstone.
N.B. Brother Featherstone shall divide his labours between the Belper and Ripley Circuits.
- 356 Ripley, (*near Alfreton*),** Henry Wilkinson.
- 357 Ashby-de-la-Zouch,** Richard Rymer, George Hobill.
- 358 Burton-on-Trent,** Charles Hawthorne, Edward B. Pinder.
- 359 Cromford,** Thomas Brown, William B. Dennis.
GEORGE TAYLOR, *Chairman of the District.*
WILLIAM B. STEPHENSON, *Financial Secretary.*

XXIV.—THE LINCOLN DISTRICT.

- 360 Lincoln,** William Bacon, William Cattle, Thomas S. Wood, Anthony Ward.
- 361 Sleaford,** John Nicholson, William Parkinson, William Ford.
- 362 Market-Raisen,** John B. Whittingham, William Baker, jun.; Thomas Padman, Supernumerary.
- 363 Louth,** James Loutit, Thomas Rogerson, John Randerson.
- 364 Horncastle,** Thomas H. Walker, John Talbot, John Blackwell; James Hopewell, Supernumerary.
- 365 Alford,** Thomas Armson, Thomas Eckersley; Robert Bryant, Supernumerary.
- 366 Coningsby,** Ambrose Freeman, who shall change with the Ministers at Boston and Horncastle, once in every six weeks with each Circuit.

- 53 *Sheerness*, William Wedlock, who shall change on one Sunday in every six weeks with the Ministers of the Rochester Circuit.
- 54 *Margate*, Joseph Hollis, John G. Wilson ; Robert Morton, Supernumerary.
N.B. Brother Wilson shall reside at Ramsgate.
- 55 *Dover*, Walter O. Croggon, John W. Dawson, Charles E. Woolmer ; James Jarrett, Supernumerary.
- 56 *Deal*, James Rathbone, John Gilbert.
- 57 *Rye*, James Cheeswright, James Smith.
- 58 *Tenterden*, Edmund Lockyer, George Rowe.
- 59 *Ashford*, Thomas Dove, William Harley.
- 60 *Sandhurst*, Jabez Rought, Robert Dyson.
- 61 *Maidstone*, John Geden, William Hopewell.
- Sittingbourne*, John Smith, 1st, who shall change on one Sunday in every four weeks with the Ministers at Faversham.

JOHN GEDEN, *Chairman of the District.*
JAMES COOKE, 1st, *Financial Secretary.*

IV.—THE NORWICH AND LYNN DISTRICT.

- 62 *Norwich*, James J. Topham, Thomas Rigby, Thomas Wilde ; John Hanwell, Supernumerary.
- 63 *Bungay*, James Jones, 1st, William O. Aldom ; William Edwards, 1st, Supernumerary.
- 64 *North-Walsham*, Benjamin G. Mitchell, George Smith, 1st, Robert Horwood.
- 65 *Yarmouth*, James Allen, 2d, Thomas Hulme ; James Waller, Supernumerary.
- 66 *Lowestoff*, Francis S. Keeling, Frederick F. Edmunds.
- 67 *Framlingham and Peasenhall*, Joseph Sykes, John Poulton.
N.B. Brother Sykes shall reside at Peasenhall, and Brother Poulton at Framlingham.
- 68 *Diss*, Thomas Brumwell, John Sharman, Thomas Haslam ; John Reynolds, 1st, Supernumerary.
- 69 *New-Buckenham*, Robert Mainwaring, James F. Masters.
- 70 *Bury St. Edmund's*, Richard Tabraham, John Danks.
- 71 *Holt*, William Worker, Robert G. Badcock.
- 72 *Lynn*, William Wilson, 2d, Thornley Smith, James D. Dodgson.
- 73 *Swaffham*, Joseph Mortimer, Frederick Hart.
- 74 *Downham*, John Hague, Matthew Giles.
- 75 *Walsingham*, John Mann, Charles B. Ritchie.
- 76 *Wisbeach*, John Owen, Thomas Hughes ; William Dalby, Supernumerary.
- 77 *Thetford*, William Baddeley, John Livingston.
N.B. Brother Livingston shall reside at Methwold.
- 78 *Mildenhall*, Charles Povah, Charles Garrett ; Thomas Newton, Supernumerary.

- 391 Scarborough,** Richard Felvus, William Jessop, James Collier.
392 Pickering, John M. Joll, William P. Peck; Joseph Frank,
 Supernumerary.
393 Thirsk, William Robson, Jesse Edgoose, William Jackson,
 3d; John Kemp, Supernumerary.
394 Ripon, William Ash, Timothy R. Moxon; Thomas
 Kilner, Supernumerary.
395 Selby, John Bolam, William Faulkner, William Fox, 2d.
 SAMUEL TINDALL, *Chairman of the District.*
 DAVID HAY, *Financial Secretary.*

XXVII.—THE WHITBY AND DARLINGTON DISTRICT.

- 396 Whitby,** Theophilus Pugh, James S. Thomas, John Cannell.
 N.B. Brother Cannell shall reside at Fryup.
397 Stokesley, John Haigh, Henry Graham, Thomas Timms;
 William Rennison, Joseph Hutton, Supernu-
 meraries.
398 Darlington, Thomas P. Clark, Isaac Harding.
399 Stockton, Peter Samuel, Thomas M. Fitzgerald, Henry
 Smallwood.
400 Barnard-Castle, Henry Hine, John T. Barr, Robert Cass.
 N.B. Brother Barr shall reside at Barningham,
 near Richmond, Yorkshire.
401 Bishop-Auckland, Robert Cooke, Felix H. Pickworth.
402 Middleham, John I. Muff, George Abbott.
403 Richmond, Henry J. Thomas, Joshua Mason; John Felvus,
 Supernumerary.
404 Reeth, Robert W. Broomfield, William H. Cave.
405 Bedale, John Lewis, 1st, Jabez Ingham; William Shackle-
 ton, Supernumerary.
 PETER SAMUEL, *Chairman of the District.*
 THEOPHILUS PUGH, *Financial Secretary.*

XXVIII.—THE NEWCASTLE DISTRICT.

- 406 Newcastle-upon-Tyne,** John P. Haswell, William Illingworth,
 William M. Punshon, John D. Geden; Francis
 Neale, Supernumerary.
407 Gateshead, Samuel Merrill, Joseph Kipling.
408 North-Shields, Robert Leake, Matthew Andrew.
409 Blyth, George Ellidge, Joseph R. Cleminson.
410 South-Shields, William A. Quick, Abraham Stead.
411 Sunderland, Isaac Woodcock, John H. Beech, John Hay;
 Humphrey Stevenson, George Clarke, Super-
 numeraries.
412 Houghton-le-Spring, Samuel Lucas, 2d, William Hirst.
413 Durham, John Wilson, 1st, Robert Lewis, Joseph Chapman.
414 Wolsingham, John Imisson, Henry Needle.
415 Hexham, Joseph Whitehead, George P. Hester.
416 Shotley-Bridge, Matthew Salt, Thomas M'Cullagh.

- 417 *Alston*, Thomas Savage, William Beattie.
 418 *Allendale-Town*, James Lemmon, George E. Allen.
 419 *Alnwick*, Thomas Pearson, 3d.
 420 *Berwick*, Lancelot Railton, who shall change on two Sundays
 in each quarter with Brother Pearson.
 421 *Morpeth*, George Patterson, who shall change on one Sunday
 in every three weeks with the Ministers in the
 Blyth Circuit.

JOHN P. HASWELL, *Chairman of the District.*

JOHN WILSON, 1st, *Financial Secretary.*

XXIX.—THE CARLISLE DISTRICT.

- 422 *Carlisle*, Roger Moore, Thomas S. Raby.
 423 *Brampton*, Thomas H. Hill, who shall change on one Sunday
 in every month with the Ministers at Carlisle.
 424 *Whitehaven*, Thomas Ballingall, John Hooton.
 425 *Workington*, Hugh Johnson, John Longden.
 N.B. Brother Longden shall reside at Cockermouth.
 426 *Appleby*, Samuel Bowman, John Bate.
 N.B. Brother Bate shall reside at Brough.
 427 *Penrith*, William Shearman, Charles Nightingale, Robert
 Stephenson, B.A.
 428 *Wigton and Keswick*, John Mearns, James Chalmers, M.A.
 N.B. Brother Chalmers shall reside at Keswick.
 429 *Kendal*, Jonathan Barrowclough, William Foster; James
 Dunbar, William Huddleston, Supernumeraries.
 430 *Ulverstone*, Charles Currelly, John Baker.
 431 *Dumfries*, Alfred Lockyer, who shall change once a quarter
 with the Ministers at Carlisle.

ROGER MOORE, *Chairman of the District.*

HUGH JOHNSON, *Financial Secretary.*

XXX.—THE ISLE OF MAN DISTRICT.

- 432 *Douglas and Castletown*, Hugh Beech, Gregory A. Page, William
 W. Duke.
 433 *Ramsay and Peel*, John Rossell, Samuel Healey, Samuel T.
 Greathead.

HUGH BEECH, *Chairman of the District.*

XXXI.—THE EDINBURGH AND ABERDEEN DISTRICT.

- 434 *Edinburgh*, Robert M. MacBrair, M.A., George Turner, 2d,
 Robert Brown.
 435 *Dunbar and Haddington*, Andrew Rennard.
Greenock, Richard Hart, who shall change with the Ministers
 at Glasgow on one Sunday in every six weeks.
 436 *Glasgow, West*, John P. Hetherington, George Steward, William
 Allen, 4th.
 437 *Glasgow, East*, John Drake, William Hales.
 438 *Airdrie*, Peter Prescott, jun., John T. Duncan.

- 439 *Stirling and Doune*, Henry Dean.
 440 *Ayr*, James Beckwith.
 441 *Aberdeen*, John Hannah, 2d, Richard Martin, Thomas T. Dilks; George Douglas, 1st, Supernumerary.
 442 *Dundee*, Jabez Palmer.
 443 *Perth*, John C. George, who shall change once in every six weeks with the Minister at Dundee.
 444 *Arbroath and Montrose*, Ninian Barr, Theophilus Talbot. N.B. Brother Talbot shall reside at Montrose.
 445 *Banff*, Robert Haworth.
 446 *Inverness*, David Edgar, who shall change with the Minister at Banff on two Sundays in every six weeks.
 JOHN DRAKE, *Chairman of the District*.
 JOHN HANNAH, 2d, *Financial Secretary*.

XXXII.—THE SHETLAND ISLES DISTRICT.

- 447 *Lerwick*, James Findlay, Benjamin N. Haworth, William Fern.
 N.B. Brother Haworth shall reside at Dunrossness, and Brother Fern in the Island of Whalsay.
 448 *Walls*, Daniel Farquhar.
 449 *Northmavin and Delting*, William Parsonson.
 450 *North Isles*, Whitfield Raw; William Langridge, Supernumerary.
 N.B. Brother Raw shall reside in the Island of Unst.
 JAMES FINDLAY, *Chairman of the District*.

IRELAND.

I.—THE DUBLIN DISTRICT.

- 451 *Dublin, South*, (*Centenary Chapel, &c.*,) Daniel M'Afee, Joseph W. M'Kay, James Bass; Robinson Scott, Governor and Chaplain of the Wesleyan Connexional School; William Ferguson, William Stewart, William Crook, sen., William Keys, John Waugh, Thomas Beamish, Henry M. Beale, A.B., Supernumeraries.
 452 *Dublin, North*, (*Abbey-Street Chapel, &c.*,) William P. Appelbe, LL.D., Robert Huston, John Duncan; Henry Deery, Michael Burrows, Supernumeraries.
 453 *Kingstown*, John F. Mathews, who shall change on every third Sunday with the Ministers of the Dublin Circuits; George M'Elwain, George Burrows, Supernumeraries.
 454 *Drogheda*, John Carey, Robert G. Jones.
 455 *Wicklow*, Henry J. Giles, who is to reside in Rathdrum, John Hazleton, who is to reside in Arklow.
 JOHN F. MATHEWS, *Chairman of the District*.

- 141 *South-Petherton*, John Saunders, John Nowell, 2d.
N.B. Brother Nowell shall reside at Crewkerne.
- 142 *Axminster*, John Collier, who shall change on one Sabbath in every month with the Ministers at Bridport.
- 143 *Budleigh-Salterton*, Josiah Mycock, Thomas Chope.
- 144 *Bridport*, James Sutch, John Lewis, 2d.
N.B. Brother Lewis shall reside at Lyme-Regis.
- 145 *Barnstaple*, Robert Colman, James Nance.
- 146 *South-Moulton*, William S. Bestall, George Moone.
- 147 *Bideford*, John W. Roberts, Henry D. Lowe, Frederick C. Haime; John C. Clendinnen, Supernumerary.
N.B. Brother Lowe shall reside at Great-Torrington.
- 148 *Dunster*, Thomas Jefferies, Joshua Duffill.
N.B. The Superintendent shall reside at Williton.
- 149 *Oakhampton*, William Sanders, Alfred Mewton.
- 150 *Teignmouth*, John Nicklin, William P. Slater, Joseph Exell.
N.B. Brother Slater shall reside at Torquay, and Brother Exell at Newton-Bushell.

JOHN SMITH, 2d, *Chairman of the District.*

ROBERT COLMAN, *Financial Secretary.*

XI.—THE BRISTOL DISTRICT.

- 151 *Bristol, North*, (*King-Street, &c.,*) Corbett Cooke, Joseph Beaumont, M.D., John C. Pengelly, George Follows; William Griffith, Robert James, Samuel Brown, 1st, Supernumeraries.
- 152 *Bristol, South*, (*Langton-Street, &c.,*) Charles Westlake, Luke Tyerman, William Hessel; David Cornforth, Supernumerary.
- 153 *Kingswood*, John Spencer Jones, John S. Workman.
- 154 *Banwell*, John Evans, 1st, Henry Laughner; John Shipman, Supernumerary.
- 155 *Weston-super-Mare*, Henry Castle, who shall change on one Sabbath in every month with the Ministers at Banwell.
- 156 *Stroud*, Thomas Webb, George B. Mellor, Thomas James.
N.B. Brother James shall reside at Cirencester.
- 157 *Dursley*, William Davies, 1st, John Weatherstone, Charles Howe; Daniel Osborne, Supernumerary.
N.B. Brother Weatherstone shall reside at East-ington.
- 158 *Downend, (near Bristol,)* Joseph Fletcher, William Powell, 2d; Daniel Hateley, Supernumerary.
- 159 *Gloucester*, Charles Tucker, Richard Roberts.
- 160 *Tewkesbury*, Joseph Crump, Edwin Fice; James Roberts, Supernumerary.
- 161 *Cheltenham*, John Kirk, 1st, William H. Cornforth, George C. Harvard; George Robinson, Supernumerary.
N.B. Brother Harvard shall reside at Winchcombe.

VIII.—THE ENNISKILLEN DISTRICT.

- 479 *Enniskillen*, James Patterson, William Browne; Robert Crozier, John Nesbitt, Supernumeraries.
 480 *Brookborough*, Samuel Cowdy, John Gilcriest.
 481 *Manorhamilton*, Frederick Elliott, Joseph Johnston.
 482 *Lowtherstown*, William Hoey, 1st, George Magee; William Douglas, Supernumerary.
 483 *Ballyshannon and Pettigo*, Robert Bell, William Quaile; Samuel Kyle, Supernumerary, who resides in Pettigo.
 JAMES PATTERSON, *Chairman of the District*.

IX.—THE LONDONDERRY DISTRICT.

- 484 *Londonderry*, Gibson M'Millen, John Dwyer.
 485 *Strabane*, Robert Hewitt, William Christie; William Finley, Supernumerary.
 486 *Omagh*, Robert J. Meyer, Thomas Moran; Arthur Noble, Robert Carson, Supernumeraries.
 GIBSON M'MILLEN, *Chairman of the District*.

X.—THE BELFAST DISTRICT.

- 487 *Belfast, South*, (*Donegal-Square Chapel, &c.*,) Thomas Ballard, John Oliver; Edward Johnston, 1st, Supernumerary.
 488 *Belfast, North*, (*Frederick-Street Chapel, &c.*,) William Lupton, Benjamin Bayly; Thomas Ridgeway, Samuel Downing, Supernumeraries.
 489 *Ballyclare*, Hugh Moore.
 490 *Donaghadee*, James Tobias, William Hoey, 2d, who shall reside in Newtownards; Samuel M'Dowell, Supernumerary, who resides in Kirkcubbin.
 491 *Carrickfergus*, John Nash, who resides in Larne, Robert Beauchamp.
 492 *Coleraine*, Wallace M'Mullen, Thomas A. M'Kee.
 493 *Magherafelt*, John Jebb, Thomas Pearson.
 494 *Lisburn*, Robert Wallace, Charles L. Grant; William Armstrong, James Johnston, Supernumeraries.
 495 *Downpatrick*, Robert A. Devers, Robert Collier.
 WILLIAM LUPTON, *Chairman of the District*.

XI.—THE NEWRY DISTRICT.

- 496 *Newry*, Edward Harpur, William Price.
 497 *Dungannon*, William Cather, Robert Johnston; Edward Hazleton, who resides in Moy, Nathaniel Hobart, Supernumeraries.
 N.B. Letters for Brother Hobart should be directed to Coal Island.
 498 *Armagh*, Robert H. Lindsay, Robert Hazleton.
 499 *Lurgan*, James Hughes, Robert G. Cather.

500 *Moirra and Dromore*, John Liddy, who resides in Moira, William M'Garvey.

501 *Tandragee*, John Foster, John Higgins, who is to reside in Gilford.

502 *Portadown*, Robert Masaroon, Edward Best.

ROBERT MASAROON, *Chairman of the District.*

IRISH AND FOREIGN MISSIONS.

I. EUROPE.

IRELAND.

- 1 *Lucan and Trim*, William Burnside, James Shaw.
- 2 *Kilkenny*, John Hughes, James Collier.
- 3 *Youghal*, James Henry.
- 4 *Fermoy*, John Harrington.
- 5 *Kinsale*, Robert Black.
- 6 *Berehaven-Mines*, James Carey.
- 7 *Kerry*, Frederick Stephens.
N.B. Letters should be addressed to Tralee.
- 8 *Ballinasloe*, Thomas Hickey.
- 9 *Nenagh and Killaloe*, John Walker, Samuel Ferguson.
- 10 *Kilrush*, John Bagley.
- 11 *Galway*, Henry Geddes; William Cornwall, Supernumerary.
- 12 *Belmullet and Erris*, Thomas W. Baker.
- 13 *Donegal*, Francis Stephens, Robert H. Campbell, who is to reside in Dunkaneely.
- 14 *Rathmelton*, Francis Morrow.
- 15 *Newtownlimavady*, Jeremiah Wilson.
- 16 *Ballymena*, John Feely, who shall reside in Antrim; Edward Cobain, who resides in Ballymena, Thomas M'Lorinan, Supernumeraries.

General Missionary, William G. Campbell, who is to travel on the Mission Stations, under the direction of the General Superintendent of the Missions.
N.B. Letters should be directed to Cavan.

FRANCE AND SWITZERLAND.

- 17 *Paris*, Charles Cook, D.D., William Beach.
- 18 *Calais*, Peter Lucas.
- 19 *Boulogne*, James Aldis, Supernumerary.
- 20 *Caën, Le Bocage, &c.*, Philip Guiton, Charles C. de Boinville, who shall reside at Lisieux.
- 21 *Bar-le-Duc*, William Ogier.
- 22 *Nismes, Anduze, La Vaunage, and La Gardonnègue*, Henry de Jersey, John L. Rostan, Peter Massot, Luke Pulsford; Peter Roy, Assistant Missionary.

- 23 *Ganges, &c., (Les Cevennes, West,)* Emile F. Cook; Henry Martin, Supernumerary.

N.B. This Circuit will be for this year under the superintendence of Brother De Jersey.

- 24 *Nyons, &c., (Drôme,)* Francis Farjat; John le Lievre, Assistant Missionary.

- 25 *Guillestre, &c., (Upper Alps,)* Philip Neel.

- 26 *Lausanne and Aigle, (Switzerland and the Waldenses of Piedmont,)* Matthew Gallienne, Louis Martin.

CHARLES COOK, D.D., *Chairman of the District, and General Superintendent of the Missions in France and Switzerland.*

MEDITERRANEAN MISSIONS.

- 27 *Gibraltar,* Hilton Cheesbrough; Spanish Department, George Alton.

II. ASIA.

CEYLON.

I.—THE SINGHALESE DISTRICT.

(SOUTH.)

- 28 *Colombo, South,* Daniel J. Gogerly; Andrew Kessen, LL.D., (who is Principal of the Native Normal Institution and Central School, under the Central School Commission, appointed by the Ceylon Government;) David de Silva, Native Minister.
- 29 *Colombo, North,* William Hill, 2d; D. Henry Pereira, Native Minister.
- 30 *Negombo and Rillegalle,* Daniel D. Pereira, Native Minister.
- 31 *Seedua and Minuangodde,* C. de Hoedt, Native Minister.
- 32 *Galkisse and Angulani,* C. Wijesingha, Native Minister.
- 33 *Morotto,* P. G. de Zylva, Native Minister.
- 34 *Pantura,* D. L. A. Bartholomeuz, Native Minister.
- 35 *Caltura,* John R. Parys, Native Minister.
- 36 *Galle and Amblangodde,* Joseph Rippon; John A. Poulier, Native Minister.
- 37 *Belligam,* No resident Missionary.
- 38 *Matura,* William A. Lalmon, Native Minister.
- 39 *Dondra,* Paul Rodrigo, Native Assistant Minister.
- 40 *Goddapitiya,* No resident Missionary.

N.B. The *Belligam, Matura, Dondra,* and *Goddapitiya* Circuits are under the care of the Galle Superintendent.

DANIEL J. GOGERLY, *Chairman of the District, and General Superintendent of the Missions in South Ceylon.*

II.—THE TAMUL DISTRICT.

(NORTH.)

- 41 *Jaffna, Wannerponne, and Puttoor,* Peter Percival, John Walton; Richard Watson, Native Minister.

- 42 *Point-Pedro and Cattavelley*, One requested.
 43 *Trincomalee*, Edward J. Robinson.
 44 *Batticaloa, First, (Puleanteevo)*, James Gillings; John S. Philips.
 Native Minister.
 45 *Batticaloa, Second, (Caravaoor)*, One earnestly requested.

PETER PERCIVAL, *Chairman of the District, and General Superintendent of the Missions in North Ceylon.*

CONTINENTAL INDIA.

I.—THE MADRAS DISTRICT.

- 46 *Madras*, Samuel Hardey, Richard D. Griffith, Ebenezer E. Jenkins.
 47 *Negapatam and Trivaloor*, John Pinkney, John Kilner.
 48 *Manargoody and Trichinopoly*, Joseph Little. Two earnestly requested.
 49 *Bangalore, (Tamul)*, Thomas Cryer; William H. A. Dickson.
 Supernumerary.
 N.B. Peter Batchelor has twelvemonths' leave of absence on the Neilgherry Hills, for the recovery of his health.

SAMUEL HARDEY, *Chairman and General Superintendent of the Madras District.*

II.—THE MYSORE DISTRICT.

- 50 *Bangalore, (Canarese)*, John Garrett, Daniel Sanderson.
 51 *Mysore*, Thomas B. Glanville.
 52 *Goobbee and Toomkoor*, Two wanted; Henry O. Sullivan, Assistant Missionary.
 53 *Coonghul*, Edward J. Hardey. One wanted.
 N.B. Joseph Morris is absent from the District on account of affliction.

JOHN GARRETT, *Chairman and General Superintendent of the Mysore District.*

MISSIONS IN AUSTRALASIA AND POLYNESIA.

I.—THE AUSTRALIA AND VAN-DIEMEN'S LAND DISTRICT.

NEW SOUTH WALES.

- 54 *Sydney, North, (York-Street)*, William Binnington Boyce, General Superintendent; Francis Tuckfield, Joseph Oram.
 55 *Sydney, South, (Chippendale)*, John Eggleston.
 56 *Sydney, East, (Surrey-Hills)*, Benjamin Hurst.
 57 *Paramatta*, Nathaniel Turner.
 58 *Windsor*, Samuel Wilkinson, 1st; James Somerville, Assistant Missionary.

- 59 *Bathurst*, Benjamin Chapman; John Pemell, Assistant Missionary.
 60 *Hunter's-River*, Stephen Rabone; Joseph Fillingham, Assistant Missionary.
 61 *Camden*, No resident Missionary.
 62 *Wollongong*, No resident Missionary.
 63 *Goulburn*, William Schofield.
 64 *Queenbeyan*, William Byrnes, Assistant Missionary.
 65 *Moreton-Bay*, No resident Missionary. George Poole, Supernumerary.
 66 *Port-Macquarie*, Vacant for the present.
 67 *Scone*, No resident Missionary.

AUSTRALIA FELIX.

- 68 *Melbourne*, William Butters, John Harcourt.
 69 *Geelong*, Frederick Lewis.
 70 *Belfast and Portland-Bay*, William Lightbody.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

- 71 *Adelaide*, Daniel J. Draper, Thomas T. N. Hull; John C. Symons, John G. Millard, Assistant Missionaries.
 72 *Burra-Burra*, William Lowe, Assistant Missionary.
 73 *Willunga*, William C. Currey, Assistant Missionary.
 74 *Kapunda*, R. C. Flockhart, Assistant Missionary.
 75 *Mount-Barker*, Joseph Dare, Assistant Missionary.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA.

- 76 *Swan-River*, John Smithies. One requested.

VAN-DIEMEN'S LAND.

- 77 *Hobart-Town*, Henry H. Gaud, Thomas B. Harris.
 78 *New-Norfolk*, John A. Manton.
 79 *Cambell-Town*, Jabez B. Waterhouse.
 80 *Launceston*, Edward Sweetman.
 81 *Longford*, Jonathan Innes.
 82 *Westbury*, Charles W. Rigg, Assistant Missionary, who shall be under the direction of the Longford Superintendent.
 83 *Oatlands*, One wanted.

WILLIAM BINNINGTON BOYCE, *Chairman of the District, and General Superintendent of the Australia and Van-Diemen's Land Missions.*

II.—THE NEW-ZEALAND DISTRICT.

AUCKLAND SECTION.

- 84 *Auckland*, Walter Lawry, General Superintendent; Thomas Buddle.
Wesleyan College and Seminary, Joseph H. Fletcher.
Native Institution, (Three Kings,) Alexander Reid.
 85 *Manukau*, Henry H. Lawry.

- 86 *Kawhia*, John Whiteley.
 87 *Aotea*, (*Beecham-Dale*,) Gideon Smales.
 88 *Waingaroa*, James Wallis.
 89 *Waipa and Wakatumutumu*, George Buttle.

NORTHERN SECTION.

- 90 *Mangungu and Wangarua*, John Hobbs.
 91 *Waima and Newark*, John Warren.
 92 *Wairoa*, (*Kaipara*,) James Buller.

SOUTHERN SECTION.

- 93 *Wellington*, James Watkin, John Aldred.
 94 *Nelson*, Samuel Ironside.
 95 *New-Plymouth*, Henry H. Turton.
 96 *Waimate*, William Woon.
 97 *Waitotara*, George Stannard, Assistant Missionary.
 98 *Wanganui and Taupo*, William Kirk.
 99 *Waikowaiti, near Otago*, Charles Creed.

WALTER LAWRY, *Chairman of the District, and General Superintendent of the Missions in New-Zealand, and in the Friendly and Feejee Islands.*

III.—THE FRIENDLY ISLANDS DISTRICT.

- 100 *Tongatabu*, William Webb, Thomas West, George Daniel.
 101 *Habai*, Matthew Wilson, George R. H. Miller.
 102 *Vavau*, Peter Turner, Thomas Adams, Walter J. Davis.
 103 *Niua-Tabutabu and Niua-Fo-ou*, Benjamin Latuselu, Native Assistant Missionary.
 104 *Uvea or Wallis's Island*, John Latu, Native Assistant Missionary.
 PETER TURNER, *Chairman of the District.*

IV.—THE FEEJEE DISTRICT.

- 105 *Lakemba*, Richard B. Lyth, John Malvern, John Polglase; Joel Bulu, Native Assistant Missionary, who resides at Ono.
 106 *Viwa and Bau*, James Calvert; Joseph Waterhouse, Assistant Missionary; Wesley Langy, Paul Vea, Joshua Matayenaniu, Native Assistant Missionaries.
 107 *Bua*, Thomas Williams, 2d, John Watsford; Samuel Waterhouse, Assistant Missionary.
 108 *Nandy*, David Hazlewood, William Moore, Assistant Missionary.
 RICHARD B. LYTH, *Chairman of the District.*

III. AFRICA.

SOUTHERN AFRICA.

I.—THE CAPE OF GOOD HOPE DISTRICT.

- 109 *Cape-Town and Rondebosch*, William Moister, General Superintendent; Barnabas Shaw, Benjamin Ridsdale; Joseph Jackson, Supernumerary.
 110 *Wynberg and Diep-River*, Richard Haddy.

- 111 *Simon's-Town and Elsey's River*, John Thomas, 2d.
 112 *Stellenbosch and Raithby*, Edward Edwards.
 113 *Somerset, (West,) and Terrington-Grove*, Richard Ridgill.
 114 *Khamies-Berg, (Little Namaqualand,)* Matthew Godman.
 115 *Nisbett-Bath, (Great Namaqualand,)* John A. Bailie.
 116 *Hoole's-Fountain, (Great Namaqualand,)* Joseph Tindall.

WILLIAM MOISTER, *Chairman of the District, and General Superintendent of the Missions in the Cape of Good Hope District.*

II.—THE ALBANY AND KAFFRARIA DISTRICT.

COLONIAL CIRCUITS.

- 117 *Graham's-Town*, William Shaw, 1st, General Superintendent;
 Henry H. Dugmore, George Chapman.
 118 *Salem and Farmerfield*, George Smith, 2d.
 119 *Bathurst and Lower Albany*, John Smith, 3d.
 120 *Fort-Beaufort*, Ebenezer D. Hepburn, Assistant Missionary.
 121 *Port-Elizabeth and Uitenhage*, George H. Green.
 122 *Cradock*, John Edwards.
 123 *Somerset*, William C. Holden.
 124 *Burghers-Dorp*, John Ayliff.
 125 *D'Urban, (Fingo Mission,)* and *Fort-Peddie*, George Parsonson.
 126 *Newton-Dale and Waterloo-Bay, (Fingo Mission,)* No resident Missionary.

N.B. The Ministers of the Colonial Circuits are to change regularly under the direction of the General Superintendent.

BRITISH KAFFRARIA.

- 127 *Mount-Coke, Wesleyville, and East London*, William Impey,
 William Sargeant.
 128 *King William's Town*, John W. Appleyard.
 129 *Haslope-Hills and Kamastone*, William Shepstone.
 130 *Lesseyton, Imvani, and Bonkolo*, One requested.
 131 *Wittebergen*, Johannes P. Bertram.

KAFFRARIA-PROPER.

1. AMAXOSA.

- 132 *Butterworth*, Francis P. Gladwin.
 133 *Beecham-Wood*, One requested.

2. ABATEMBU.

- 134 *Clarkebury*, William H. Garner.
 135 *Morley*, Charles White, Assistant Missionary.

3. AMAMPONDO.

- 136 *Buntingville*, One requested.
 137 *Shawbury*, J. Stewart Thomas.

WILLIAM SHAW, 1st, *Chairman of the District, and General Superintendent of the Wesleyan Missions in South-Eastern Africa.*

- 302 *Denby-Dale*, Thomas J. Walker, who shall change once a month with the Ministers of the two Huddersfield Circuits, alternately.
- 303 *Bradford, West*, (*Kirkgate Chapel, &c.*,) Willson Brailsford, Elijah Jackson; Stephen Wilson, Joseph Pretty, James Shoar, Thomas Kemshall, Supernumeraries.
- 304 *Bradford, East*, (*Eastbrook Chapel, &c.*,) Robert Alder, D.D., Edward Brice, James D. Brocklehurst; William Bird, Supernumerary.
- 305 *Great-Horton*, (*near Bradford*,) Peter Wilkinson, John Walters.
- 306 *Keighley*, Thomas Dunn, George Hughes, Thomas Brookes. N.B. Brother Hughes shall reside at Haworth. Letters should be sent to Haworth, near Keighley.
- 307 *Bingley*, James Catton, George Greenwood.
- 308 *Shipley*, Samuel Allen, who shall change on one Sabbath in every five weeks with the Ministers at Bingley.
- 309 *Skipton*, William Levell, Joseph Garrett.
- 310 *Addingham*, Thomas Murray, Pascho Hoskins.
- 311 *Grassington*, John Smithson, who shall change on one Sabbath in every six weeks with the Ministers at Skipton.
- 312 *Settle*, Christopher Newton, John Jeffreys.
ROBERT ALDER, D.D., *Chairman of the District*.
GEORGE JACKSON, *Financial Secretary*.

XXI.—THE LEEDS DISTRICT.

- 313 *First Leeds*, (*Brunswick Chapel, &c.*,) Robert Jackson, John H. James, Thomas Williams, 1st; John Roadhouse, Supernumerary.
- 314 *Second Leeds*, (*Oxford-Place Chapel, &c.*,) Edward Walker, John Burton, John W. Etheridge, Ph. D., Thomas S. Monkhouse; John Hodgson, Thomas Rowland, Supernumeraries.
- 315 *Third Leeds*, (*St. Peter's Chapel, &c.*,) Joseph Lawton, Samuel R. Hall, Thomas O. Keysell.
- 316 *Fourth Leeds*, (*Wesley Chapel, &c.*,) Thomas H. Squance, John Watson, William R. Williams.
- 317 *Bramley*, (*near Leeds*,) Thomas Dickin, Thomas Richardson; Charles Radcliffe, Supernumerary.
- 318 *Wakefield*, Benjamin Clough, Robert M. Willcox, Charles Rawlings.
- 319 *Birstal*, Isaac Denison, Matthew Cranswick, James Scholes; James Fowler, Hodgson Casson, Supernumeraries.
- 320 *Dewsbury*, Thomas Hodgson, William Chambers, Henry Kirkland.
N.B. Brother Kirkland shall reside at Mirfield.
- 321 *Knaresborough*, John Roberts, 1st, William Wilson, 4th; Luke Barlow, Supernumerary.

- 158 *Domonasi, Abassa, Mansu, &c.*, Ebenezer A. Gardiner ; George P. Brown, Native Assistant Missionary.
 159 *British Akrah, Prampram, Ningo, and Poni*, Henry Wharton.
 160 *Ashanti*, John Ossu Ansah, Native Assistant Missionary.
 161 *Badagry and Abbeokuta*, John A. Martin, Native Assistant Missionary.

THOMAS B. FREEMAN, *General Superintendent of the Wesleyan Missions in Guinea.*

IV. AMERICA.

WEST INDIES.

I.—THE ANTIGUA DISTRICT.

- 162 *Antigua*, John B. Selley, George Blanchflower, Joshua Jordan.
 163 *Dominica*, Samuel Smyth, William F. Turtle.
 164 *Montserrat*, William Satchell.
 165 *Nevis*, Robert Hawkins, Samuel Simons.
 166 *St. Christopher's*, James Cox, Thomas M. Chambers, George Sargeant, Aaron Edman.
 167 *St. Eustatius and St. Bartholomew's*, Benjamin Tregaskis.
 168 *St. Martin's and Anguilla*, William T. Waymouth ; John Hodge, Supernumerary.
 169 *Tortola*, William Ritchie, Theophilus S. Gregory.

JAMES COX, *Chairman of the District, and General Superintendent of the Missions in the Antigua District.*

II.—THE ST. VINCENT'S AND DEMERARA DISTRICT.

- 170 *St. Vincent's, Kingstown*, William Hudson, William Cleaver, Edward Collier, Robert W. Clegg.
 171 *St. Vincent's, Biabou*, Henry Hurd, John S. Ellison, William Rotherham, Henry Wilson.
 172 *Grenada*, Samuel Brown, 3d, Richard Ridyard.
 173 *Trinidad*, William L. Binks ; James Elliott, Assistant Missionary.
 174 *Tobago*, John Horsford, Richard Wrench.
 175 *Demerara, George-Town*, John Corlett, William Heath, John Wood, 2d.
 N.B. Brother Heath shall reside at the Arabian Coast.
 176 *Demerara, Mahaica*, William Limmex.
 177 *Demerara, Victoria*, James Banfield.
 178 *Barbadoes*, William Bannister, James Bickford, Thomas Butcher, Jonathan Dale.

WILLIAM BANNISTER, *Chairman of the District, and General Superintendent of the Missions in the St. Vincent's and Demerara District.*

- 340 *Nottingham, North, (Wesley Chapel, &c.,)* George Taylor, Timothy C. Ingle, Samuel Coley.
- 341 *Ilkestone,* William Winterburn, who shall change once a month with the Ministers of the two Nottingham Circuits.
- 342 *Mansfield,* Benjamin Clayton, John P. Lockwood; Richard Allen, Supernumerary.
- 343 *Newark,* George Turner, 1st, John W. Thomas; John Hickling, Supernumerary.
- 344 *Bingham,* Richard Heape, Thomas Crosby.
- 345 *Leicester,* Joseph Raynar, Richard Brown; David Deakin, Supernumerary.
- 346 *Melton-Mowbray,* Robert Gover, Edward Horton.
- 347 *Oakham,* James Stott, Charles J. Williams.
N.B. Brother Williams shall reside at Uppingham.
- 348 *Stamford,* Seth Dixon, Rupert Chawner; John Ingham, Supernumerary.
- 349 *Grantham,* Joseph Floyd, William J. Skidmore.
- 350 *Peterborough,* John H. Faull, Henry W. Holland.
- 351 *Loughborough,* Frederick Slight, Edward Watson; William Fidler, Supernumerary.
- 352 *Castle-Donington,* John Parkes, William L. Horton.
- 353 *Derby,* William Horton, John Lambert, John Relph; Samuel Brocksop, Supernumerary.
- 354 *Ashbourne,* Richard Sergeant, who shall change once a month with the Ministers at Derby.
- 355 *Belper,* Thomas Shaw, Peter Featherstone.
N.B. Brother Featherstone shall divide his labours between the Belper and Ripley Circuits.
- 356 *Ripley, (near Alfreton,)* Henry Wilkinson.
- 357 *Ashby-de-la-Zouch,* Richard Rymer, George Hobill.
- 358 *Burton-on-Trent,* Charles Hawthorne, Edward B. Pinder.
- 359 *Cromford,* Thomas Brown, William B. Dennis.
- GEORGE TAYLOR, *Chairman of the District.*
WILLIAM B. STEPHENSON, *Financial Secretary.*

XXIV.—THE LINCOLN DISTRICT.

- 360 *Lincoln,* William Bacon, William Cattle, Thomas S. Wood, Anthony Ward.
- 361 *Sleaford,* John Nicholson, William Parkinson, William Ford.
- 362 *Market-Raisen,* John B. Whittingham, William Baker, jun.; Thomas Padman, Supernumerary.
- 363 *Louth,* James Loutit, Thomas Rogerson, John Randerson.
- 364 *Horncastle,* Thomas H. Walker, John Talbot, John Blackwell; James Hopewell, Supernumerary.
- 365 *Alford,* Thomas Armson, Thomas Eckersley; Robert Bryant, Supernumerary.
- 366 *Coningsby,* Ambrose Freeman, who shall change with the Ministers at Boston and Horncastle, once in every six weeks with each Circuit.

THE BRITISH DOMINIONS IN NORTH AMERICA.

I.—MISSIONS IN CANADA, WEST.

INDIAN MISSIONS.

- 210 *New-Market and Snake-Island*, Joseph Messmore, John Goodfellow; George Beynon, Supernumerary.
- 211 *Rama and Orilia*, William Steer.
- 212 *Beausoliel and French-River*, Horace Dean. One to be sent.
- 213 *Nawash*, Edward Sallows.
- 214 *Saugeeng*, James Hutchinson, David Sawyer.
- 215 *Lake-Huron, North Shore*, George M'Dougall.
- 216 *Port-Sarnia and St. Clair Mission*, Noble F. English; William Herkimer, Indian Missionary.
- 217 *Muncey*, Samuel Rose, whose attention shall be specially directed to the Indian School; John Sunday, Abraham W. Sickles.
- 218 *New-Credit*, Rowley Heyland.
- 219 *Grand-River*, William Ryerson.
- 220 *Schoogog*, To be supplied.
- 221 *Rice and Mud Lakes*, Robert Brooking.
- 222 *Alderville*, William Case, whose attention shall be specially directed to the Industrial School. One to be sent.

DOMESTIC MISSIONS IN THE NEW SETTLEMENTS.

- 223 *Brock*, Cornelius Flummerfelt.
- 224 *Barrie*, Lewis Warner, Thomas Culbert.
- 225 *Mono*, William Dignam.
- 226 *Cookstown*, Luther O. Rice.
- 227 *Penetanguishene-road*, Henry Reid.
- 228 *Notawasaga*, One to be sent.
- 229 *St. Vincent*, Stephen Brownell, Alexander Campbell.
- 230 *Owen's-Sound*, John Williams; J. Neelands, Supernumerary.
- 231 *Proton*, Joseph Hill.
- 232 *Kincardine*, Thomas Crews.
- 233 *Bruce-Mines*, One to be sent.
- 234 *Devonshire*, Thomas Williams; Edmund Stoney, Superannuated.
- 235 *Goderich*, Samuel Fear, Joel Briggs.
- 236 *Strathroy*, James Armstrong, 1st. One to be sent.
- 237 *Warwick*, John Webster.
- 238 *Providence*, Edward White.
- 239 *Wardsville*, Charles Silvester.
- 240 *Amherstburgh*, Richard Whiting. One to be sent.
- 241 *Blenheim and Stradford*, Joseph Shepley.
- 242 *Wellesley*, George Case.
- 243 *Nanticoke*, John Baxter.
- 244 *Dunville*, John Hunt. One to be sent.
- 245 *Chippewa*, Robert Corson, Nelson Brown, William Creighton.
- 246 *Cayuga*, Thomas Jeffers.
- 247 *Elora*, Solomon Waldron. One to be sent.
- 248 *Peel*, One to be sent. Ezra Adams, Superannuated.
- 249 *Cartwright*, John Sanderson.

- 250 *Norwood*, Charles Turver, William Sanderson.
 251 *Metcalf*, One to be sent.
 252 *Shannonville*, William Chapman.
 253 *Sheffield*, John C. Osborne.
 254 *Hungerford*, Thomas Cleghorn.
 255 *Madoc*, Robert Robinson ; Stephen Miles, Superannuated.
 256 *Bath and Amherst Isle*, George Carr, Robert Brewster.
 257 *Gananoque*, William H. Williams.
 258 *Sherbrooke*, Benjamin Slight, A.M., David Jennings ; Alvah Adams, Superannuated.
 259 *Hinchinbrook*, One wanted.
 260 *Maitland*, Silvester Hurlburt.
 261 *Cornwall*, Vincent B. Howard, William Burns.
 262 *Winchester*, David Hardie.
 263 *St. Andrew's*, Francis Coleman, Richard Hammond.
 264 *Lochaber*, Daniel Wright.
 265 *Osgoode*, Henry Shaler, Robert Hobbs.
 266 *Gattineau*, John Armstrong, 1st.
 267 *Clarendon and Onslow*, William M. Pattyson, Andrew M'Allister.
 268 *Westmeath*, Jonathan Loverin.
 269 *Torbolton*, John Howes.

II.—CANADA : EASTERN DISTRICT.

- 270 *Montreal, East*, John Jenkins. One to be sent.
 271 *Montreal, West*, William Squire.
 272 *Quebec*, Charles de Wolfe, M.A. One to be sent.
 273 *Three-Rivers*, Thomas Campbell.
 274 *Rawdon and Wesleyville*, Henry Cox.
 275 *St. John's*, John C. Davidson.
 276 *Chambly*, Hugh Montgomery.
 277 *Huntingdon*, George H. Davis.
 278 *Russelton*, John Douglas.
 279 *Odell-Town and Hemingford*, James Brock.
 280 *Clarenceville*, Henry Lanton.
 281 *St. Armand's*, Edmund S. Ingalls.
 282 *Dunham*, John Borland.
 283 *Shefford*, Rufus A. Flanders.
 284 *Stanstead*, John Tomkins.
 285 *Compton*, Malcolm M'Donald.
 286 *Melbourne and Danville*, William Scott.
 287 *Leeds*, Giffard Dorey.

WILLIAM SQUIRE, *Chairman of the District, and General Superintendent.*

III.—THE NOVA-SCOTIA WESTERN DISTRICT.

- 288 *Halifax*, Matthew Richey, D.D., John M'Murray ; William Bennett, William Croscombe, Supernumeraries.
 289 *Halifax County*, Alexander W. M'Leod ; Frederick W. Moore, Assistant Missionary.
 290 *Lunenburg*, Richard Weddall.

- 291** *Liverpool and Mill's-Village*, Rowland Morton. One wanted.
292 *Shelburne*, James Armstrong, 2d.
293 *Barrington*, Jeremiah V. Jost.
294 *Yarmouth*, William Wilson, 1st; Richard Williams, Supernumerary.
295 *Horton and Cornwallis*, Frederick Smallwood, George W. Tuttle.
296 *Windsor*, Henry Pope, 1st; John Marshall, Supernumerary.
297 *Newport and Maitland*, Thomas H. Davies, Henry Pope, 2d.

BERMUDA.

- 298** *Hamilton, &c.*, John B. Brownell; George Douglas, 2d, Assistant Missionary; James Horne, Supernumerary.

MATTHEW RICHEY, D.D., *Chairman of the District, and General Superintendent.*

IV.—NOVA-SCOTIA EAST, AND PRINCE EDWARD'S ISLAND, DISTRICT.

- 299** *Charlotte-Town*, Ephraim Evans, James B. Narraway; John B. Strong, Supernumerary.
300 *Truro and River-John*, George O. Huestis.
301 *Amherst and Meccan*, Wesley C. Beals.
302 *Parrsborough*, Thomas Gaetz, Assistant Missionary.
303 *Wallace*, Richard Smith.
304 *River-Philip*, One wanted.
305 *Guysborough and Canso*, William M'Carty, Joseph Herbert Starr.
306 *Sydney, Cape-Breton*, Robert E. Crane.
307 *Ship-Harbour*, One wanted.
308 *Pownal*, Alexander B. Black, Assistant Missionary.
 N.B. The Pownal Preacher is placed under the direction of the Charlotte-Town Superintendent.
309 *Bedeque and Tryon*, James Buckley.

EPHRAIM EVANS, *Chairman of the District, and General Superintendent.*

V.—THE NEW-BRUNSWICK DISTRICT.

- 310** *St. John, South, (Germain-Street, &c.)* James G. Hennigar, John Allison. One wanted.
311 *St. John, North, (Portland,)* William Smith, 2d.
312 *St. John, West, (Carlton,)* William T. Cardy. One wanted.
313 *Fredericton*, Charles Churchill.
314 *Nashwaak*, One wanted.
315 *Sheffield*, William Smithson.
316 *Mill-Town*, Robert Cooney.
317 *St. Stephen's, &c.*, Ingham Sutcliffe.
318 *St. Andrew's*, William Temple.
319 *Sackville*, Richard Knight,
320 *Point-de-Bute*, George Johnson.
321 *Petitcodiac*, William Allen, 2d.
322 *Hopewell*, Robert A. Chesley.
323 *Sussex-Vale*, Richard Shepherd.
324 *Woodstock, &c.*, Arthur M'Nutt, John G. Manly.

- 325 *Annapolis*, George M. Barratt.
 326 *Bridge-Town*, Michael Pickles.
 327 *Aylesford*, Christopher Lockhart.
 328 *Digby, &c.*, George Miller, James Taylor, 2d.
 329 *Miramichi*, Joseph F. Bent.
 330 *Richibucto*, R. Alder Temple.
 331 *Bathurst*, John Prince.
 332 *Dalhousie, &c.*, One earnestly requested.
 333 *Wesleyan Academy, Mount-Allison, Westmoreland*, Humphrey Pickard, A.M., Principal; Albert Desbrisay, Supernumerary, Chaplain.
 N.B. Henry Daniel is returning home.

RICHARD KNIGHT, *Chairman of the District, and General Superintendent.*

VI.—THE NEWFOUNDLAND DISTRICT.

- 334 *St. John's*, Edmund Botterell, John S. Addy.
 335 *Harbour-Grace*, Samuel W. Sprague.
 336 *Carbonear*, Thomas Angwin.
 337 *Blackhead*, James Norris.
 338 *Perlican*, Adam Nightingale.
 339 *Island-Cove*, One wanted.
 340 *Port-de-Grave*, Thomas H. Smith.
 341 *Brigus*, William E. Shenstone.
 342 *Trinity-Bay*, Vacant for the present.
 343 *Bonavista*, James England.
 344 *Green-Bay*, John Brewster.
 345 *Burin*, John S. Peach.
 346 *Grand-Bank*, Elias Brettle.
 347 *Hant's-Harbour*, William P. Wells.
 348 *Hermitage-Cove*, One wanted.

N.B. John Snowball is to proceed to the New-Brunswick District in the spring.

EDMUND BOTTERELL, *Chairman of the District, and General Superintendent.*

TERRITORIES OF THE HUDSON'S-BAY COMPANY.

- 349 *Norway-House, Lake-Winnipeg*, William Mason.
 350 *Moose-Factory*, One wanted.
 351 *Oxford-House*, Under the care of a Native Teacher.
 352 *Edmonton and Rocky-Mountains*, One wanted.

The Superintendence of these Missions is, for the present, placed under the direction of the General Superintendent of the Missions in Western Canada, in order that they may be permanently connected with that Department of the Work as soon as possible.

N.B. 1. John Thomas, 1st, is placed under the direction of the Missionary Committee.

2. Peter Jacobs is under the direction of the Rev. Enoch Wood.

3. Samuel Annear is returning home.

APPOINTMENTS OF THE WESLEYAN CONFERENCE IN CANADA, IN CONNEXION WITH THE BRITISH CONFERENCE.

ENOCH WOOD, *President of the Conference, and General
Superintendent of Missions.*

JOHN RYERSON, *Co-Delegate.*

JAMES MUSGROVE, *Secretary.*

I.—THE TORONTO DISTRICT.

- 1 *Toronto City, East*, John Ryerson, Co-Delegate; Ephraim B. Harper, David C. M'Dowell; Egerton Ryerson, D.D., Chief Superintendent of Schools, by permission of the Conference; Anson Green, Book-Steward; James Spencer, Editor; Thomas Demorest, Agent for Connexional Funds, under the direction of the Book Committee.
- 2 *Toronto City, West*, Henry Wilkinson, John Douse.
- 3 *Yonge-Street*, James Musgrove, Wellington Jeffers.
- 4 *Humber*, Samuel C. Philp. One to be sent. John Culham, Supernumerary.
- 5 *Cooksville*, Jonathan Scott.
- 6 *Brampton*, William Young, William S. Blackstock. One wanted.
- 7 *Oshawa*, John Law, Robert Lochhead.
- 8 *Markham*, Peter Ker, J. W. Cawthorn; David Youmans, Superannuated.
- 9 *Georgetown*, William Willoughby, George M'Ritchey.
- 10 *Nelson*, Joseph W. M'Collum, Charles Fish. One to be sent.

JOHN RYERSON, *Co-Delegate, Chairman of the District.*

II.—THE BARRIE DISTRICT.

- 11 *Bradford*, Reuben E. Tupper, Andrew Smith.
- LEWIS WARNER, *Chairman of the District.*

III.—THE LONDON DISTRICT.

- 12 *London*, William Pollard, William Ames.
- 13 *London Circuit*, Richard Phelps, John Laird.
- 14 *St. Mary's*, Thomas Fawcett.
- 15 *Wallaceburgh*, To be supplied.
- 16 *Chatham*, William Price. One to be sent.
- 17 *Gosfield*, John K. Williston.
- 18 *St. Thomas*, John Bredin, Joseph Hugill; Thomas Harmon, Superannuated.

SAMUEL ROSE, *Chairman of the District.*

IV.—THE BRANTFORD DISTRICT.

- 19 *Brantford*, Kennedy Creighton, James Preston; Peter Jones, George Poole, Superannuated.
 20 *Paris*, Edwin Clement.
 21 *Woodstock*, Edmund Shepherd, Drummond J. Fletcher.
 22 *Dumfries*, Hamilton Biggar, Ozias Barber.
 23 *Ingersoll*, Charles W. M. Gilbert. One wanted.
 24 *Norwich*, Francis Chapman. One wanted.
 25 *Simcoe*, Edwy M. Ryerson, John English.
 26 *Walsingham*, Matthew Whiting. One wanted. Matthias Holtby, Supernumerary.
 27 *Malahide*, George Kennedy, Thomas Peacock.
 WILLIAM RYERSON, *Chairman of the District*.

V.—THE HAMILTON DISTRICT.

- 28 *Hamilton*, John Carroll; Daniel C. Van Norman, A.M., Principal of Burlington Ladies' Academy; David Wright, Samuel Belton, Superannuated.
 29 *Dundas*, John Gemley, Thomas Stobbs.
 30 *Glandford and Seneca*, William Haw, Isaac Barber; Andrew Prindel, Superannuated.
 31 *Grimsby*, Alexander T. Green, William S. Griffin.
 32 *St. Catherine's*, Claudius Byrne, John S. Evans.
 33 *Drummondville and Niagara*, Thomas Cosford, George Young, who shall reside at Niagara.
 34 *Guelph*, George Goodson.
 JOHN CARROLL, *Chairman of the District*.

VI.—THE COBOURG DISTRICT.

- 35 *Cobourg*, George R. Sanderson; S. Nelles, M.A., Principal of Victoria College; John Beatty, Lachlin Taylor, Supernumeraries.
 36 *Port-Hope*, William M'Cullough.
 37 *Bourmanville*, James C. Slater.
 38 *Millbrook*, William Morton; Moses Blackstock, Supernumerary.
 39 *Peterborough*, Isaac B. Howard.
 40 *Colborne*, James Hughes.
 GEORGE R. SANDERSON, *Chairman of the District*.

VII.—THE BELLEVILLE DISTRICT.

- 41 *Belleville*, Richard Jones.
 42 *Consecon*, David B. Madden, Abraham Dayman; Cyrus R. Allison, Superannuated.
 43 *Picton*, William M'Fadden. One to be sent, who shall reside at Bloomfield. Gilbert Miller, Supernumerary.

- 44 Napanee,** John Black, John W. German.
45 Sidney, Michael Fawcett. One to be sent.
46 Brighton, George F. Playter, Aaron Miller.
47 Demorestville, William H. Poole.
48 Newburg, Joseph Reynolds ; Dr. Isaac B. Aylsworth,
 Supernumerary.
49 Rawdon, William Coleman.

RICHARD JONES, *Chairman of the District.*

VIII.—THE KINGSTON DISTRICT.

- 50 Kingston,** Samuel D. Rice, Charles Lavell, Richard Clarke ;
 James Booth, Henry Byers, Supernumeraries.
51 Wilton, John Lever, John A. Williams, who shall reside at
 Mill-Creek.
52 Waterloo, Charles Taggart.
53 Newborough, Michael Baxter. One to be sent.
54 Farmersville, William Philp, Simon Huntingdon.
 N.B. Brother Philp takes the Superintendency,
 by request of Brother Huntingdon.
55 Perth, James Gray.

SAMUEL D. RICE, *Chairman of the District.*

IX.—THE BROCKVILLE DISTRICT.

- 56 Brockville,** William Andrews.
57 Prescott, James Elliott.
58 Kemptville, Thomas Bevitt, Richard Wilson.
59 Matilda, Asahel Hurlburt, John Armstrong, 2d.
60 Smith's-Falls, Benjamin Nankevill ; William Brown, Super-
 numerary.
61 Carlton and Pakingham, Thomas W. Constable, David Robertson.
62 Merrickville Erastus Hurlburt.

THOMAS BEVITT, *Chairman of the District.*

X.—THE BYTOWN DISTRICT.

- 63 Bytown,** Conrad Vandusen, William M'Gill.
64 Aylmer, Daniel M'Mullen.
65 Richmond, James Greener, Silas Huntingdon.
66 L'Orignal, David Clappison, Henry M'Dowell.
67 Renfrew, Thomas Hannah.

CONRAD VANDUSEN, *Chairman of the District.*

N.B. Brother James G. Witted has leave of absence
 for one year, to visit his friends in England.

Q. VIII. What is the NUMBER OF MEMBERS in our Societies?
A. As follows, viz.,—

IN GREAT BRITAIN.

<i>Circuits.</i>	<i>Members in Society.</i>	<i>Circuits.</i>	<i>Members in Society.</i>
FIRST LONDON	2286	Wellingborough	284
Richmond	140	Kettering	215
Uxbridge	98	Market-Harborough . . .	171
Second London	1331	Chatteris	397
Third London	1423	Oundle	268
Fourth London	1234	CANTERBURY	579
Fifth London	1685	Faversham	422
Sixth London	1668	Rochester	1008
Seventh London	653	Gravesend	439
Eighth London	1586	Sheerness	326
Deptford	473	Margate	698
Woolwich	555	Dover	804
Hammersmith	585	Deal	246
Croydon	308	Rye	419
Barking	132	Tenterden	386
Leyton	83	Ashford	316
Ware	210	Sandhurst	620
Cambridge	430	Maidstone	426
Windsor	320	Sittingbourne	298
Chelmsford	236	NORWICH	260
Maldon	230	Bungay	283
Colchester	506	North-Walsham	350
Manningtree	1004	Yarmouth	331
Ipswich	495	Lowestoff	350
Hastings	450	Framlingham	311
Sevenoaks	285	Diss	516
Tunbridge-Wells	490	New-Buckenham	330
Lewes	162	Bury St. Edmund's . . .	207
Brighton	598	Holt	50
St. Alban's	530	Lynn	554
Guildford	247	Swaffham	300
Dorking	120	Downham	324
BEDFORD, &c.	1063	Walsingham	442
Leighton-Buzzard	1026	Wisbeach	440
Luton	1007	Thetford	609
Dunstable	1046	Mildenhall	467
St. Neot's	550	Ely	544
Biggleswade	532	OXFORD	460
Hitchin	200	High-Wycombe	410
Huntingdon	775	Aylesbury	651
Northampton	1086	Witney	560
Towcester	510	Banbury	642
Daventry	612	Kineton	276
Newport-Pagnell	329	Newbury	578
Higham-Ferrers	357	Reading	230

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<i>Circuits.</i>	<i>Members in Society.</i>
Hungerford	739
Watlington	196
Thame	143
Brackley	643
Chipping-Norton	389
Swindon	269
Wantage	444
PORTSMOUTH	896
Gosport	164
Salisbury	773
Poole	586
Wimborne	388
Ringwood	144
Newport (Isle of Wight)	623
Southampton	608
Andover	373
Chichester	148
GUERNSEY, English	428
Guernsey, French	1036
Alderney, English	25
Alderney, French	53
Jersey, English	310
St. Helier's, French	897
St. Peter's, French	412
DEVONPORT	969
Plymouth	1026
Launceston	1040
Holsworthy	536
Kilkhampton	400
Liskeard	700
Callington	573
Tavistock	780
Camelford	350
Kingsbridge	282
Brixham	170
Ashburton	279
REDRUTH	1901
Camborne	1915
Falmouth	1183
Truro	1700
Gwennap	2022
St. Agnes	1113
St. Austle	1331
St. Mawes	318
Bodmin	805
St. Columb	600
Penzance	1500
St. Just	1535
St. Ives	780
Scilly Islands	114

<i>Circuits.</i>	<i>Members in Society.</i>
Helstone	1631
Hayle	1183
Marazion	652
EXETER	647
Crediton	70
Tiverton	298
Taunton, &c.	626
Bridgewater	330
South-Petherton	384
Axminster	134
Budleigh-Salterton	331
Bridport	407
Barnstaple	524
South-Moulton	358
Bideford	728
Dunster	272
Oakhampton	217
Teignmouth	368
BRISTOL, North	950
Bristol, South	645
Kingswood	270
Banwell	570
Stroud	514
Dursley	418
Downend	404
Gloucester	382
Tewkesbury	297
Cheltenham	630
Newport	651
Cardiff	445
Bridgend	195
Monmouth	451
Abergavenny	1050
Ledbury	335
Forest of Dean	94
Hereford	302
BATH	603
Bradford, Wilts.	654
Midsomer-Norton	1221
Frome	450
Warminster	75
Melksham	560
Devizes	176
Shepton-Mallet	913
Castle-Carey	237
Sherborne	601
Weymouth	519
Dorchester	430
Shaftesbury	765
Glastonbury	280

<i>Circuits.</i>	<i>Members in Society.</i>	<i>Circuits.</i>	<i>Members in Society.</i>
SWANSEA	486	Stratford-upon-Avon	156
Merthyr-Tydvil	1102	Hinckley	670
Brecon	220	Shrewsbury	330
Carmarthen	225	Madeley	1104
Haverford-West	617	Wellington	943
Pembroke	641	Ludlow	544
MERTHYR-TYDVIL	665	Kington	380
Crickhowell	579	MACCLESFIELD	1680
Cardiff	236	Buxton	500
Cowbridge	170	Congleton	1033
Brecon	152	Namptwich, &c.	600
Llandilo	187	Northwich	688
Carmarthen	411	Burslem	1000
Swansea	241	Tunstall	977
Lampeter and Cardigan.	454	Newcastle-under-Lyne	664
St. David's	99	Longton	373
Aberystwith	629	Stafford	300
Machynlleth	428	Leek	1034
Llanidloes	345	Uttoxeter	540
RUTHIN and Denbigh	584	Cheadle	221
Llangollen	448	LIVERPOOL, North	1457
Corwen	181	Liverpool, South	1752
Llanrwst	692	Liverpool, Welsh	607
Holywell	810	Chester	881
Mold	421	Mold, &c.	122
Llanasa	465	Carnarvon, &c.	37
Beaumaris	445	Holyhead	54
Amlwch	590	Wrexham	389
Carnarvon	360	Whitchurch	480
Bangor	501	Warrington	446
Pwllheli	373	Runcorn	649
Barmouth	361	St. Helen's, &c.	544
Dolgelly	488	Southport.	363
Llanfyllin	620	Wigan	543
Llanfair	263	Preston, &c.	1193
BIRMINGHAM, West	1529	Garstang	510
Birmingham, East	1104	Lancaster	430
West-Bromwich	662	Newtown	642
Wednesbury	2401	MANCHESTER, First	1309
Walsall	774	Manchester, Second	1611
Wolverhampton	1519	Manchester, Third	1013
Dudley	1748	Manchester, Fourth	851
Stourbridge	714	Manchester, Welsh	180
Stourport	615	Manchester, Fifth	1160
Worcester	377	Altrincham	490
Bromsgrove	184	Stockport, North	885
Evesham	360	Stockport, South	703
Redditch	441	New-Mills	420
Coventry	300	Glossop	621
Leamington	353	Ashton-under-Lyne	959

<i>Circuits.</i>	<i>Members in Society.</i>	<i>Circuits.</i>	<i>Members in Society.</i>
Oldham	725	Wath	600
Delph	128	Doncaster	1780
Bolton	1990	Barnsley	636
Rochdale	1088	Retford	1042
Burnley	1121	Worksop	600
Bury	893	NOTTINGHAM, South	1072
Blackburn	535	Nottingham, North	1040
Haslingden	901	Ilkestone	270
Bacup	1503	Mansfield	737
Colne	577	Newark	1220
Clitheroe	508	Bingham	564
Leigh	400	Leicester	637
HALIFAX	1204	Melton-Mowbray	855
Huddersfield, First	1273	Oakham	250
Huddersfield, Second	872	Stamford	313
Holmfirth	515	Grantham	448
Sowerby-Bridge	914	Peterborough	528
Todmorden	1342	Loughborough	676
Denby-Dale	287	Castle-Donington	611
Bradford, West	1483	Derby	1020
Bradford, East	1536	Ashbourne	110
Great-Horton	790	Belper	360
Keighley	1782	Ripley	213
Bingley	1100	Ashby-de-la-Zouch	587
Shipley	306	Burton-upon-Trent	332
Skipton	564	Cromford	550
Addingham	764	LINCOLN	1686
Grassington	340	Sleaford	1238
Settle	338	Market-Raisen	1027
FIRST LEEDS	1584	Louth	2751
Second Leeds	1793	Horncastle	1537
Third Leeds	1469	Alford	1112
Fourth Leeds	1310	Spilsby	810
Bramley	900	Coningsby	451
Wakefield	936	Boston	1195
Birstal	1031	Wainfleet	628
Dewsbury	1323	Spalding	773
Knaresborough	891	Bourne	275
Otley	854	HULL, West	1776
Pateley-Bridge	1031	Hull, East	1624
Pontefract	1458	Beverley	725
Cleckheaton	219	Driffield	856
Yeadon	441	Howden	1061
Woodhouse-Grove	561	Patrington	471
SHEFFIELD, West	1593	Hornsea	488
Sheffield, East	1147	Grimsby	1861
Chesterfield	380	Gainsborough	1134
Bakewell	173	Epworth	700
Bradwell	600	Snaith	1162
Rotherham	617	Brigg	862

<i>Circuits.</i>	<i>Members in Society.</i>	<i>Circuits.</i>	<i>Members in Society.</i>
Barton	1144	Allendale-Town	449
Bridlington	1244	Alnwick	135
YORK	2000	Berwick	60
Tadcaster	884	Morpeth	74
Pocklington	883	CARLISLE	291
Malton	1045	Brampton	190
Easingwold	1352	Whitehaven	322
Scarborough	1619	Workington	469
Pickering	1121	Appleby	509
Thirsk	942	Penrith	720
Ripon	1016	Wigton	240
Selby	1230	Kendal	671
WHITBY	1173	Ulverstone	202
Stokesley	750	Dumfries	60
Darlington	684	DOUGLAS and Castletown .	1388
Stockton	951	Ramsay and Peel	1602
Barnard-Castle	558	EDINBURGH	505
Bishop-Auckland	520	Dunbar	40
Middleham	652	Glasgow, &c.	709
Richmond	360	Greenock	97
Reeth	744	Airdrie	343
Bedale	927	Stirling	33
NEWCASTLE-UPON-TYNE .	829	Ayr	130
Gateshead	968	Aberdeen	294
North-Shields	360	Dundee	123
Blyth	349	Perth	70
South-Shields	431	Arbroath	95
Sunderland	940	Banff	54
Houghton-le-Spring . . .	780	Inverness	45
Durham	1006	LERWICK	568
Wolsingham	632	Walls	420
Hexham	562	Northmavin, &c.	128
Shotley-Bridge	670	North Isles	149
Alston	442		

Total Number of Members in GREAT BRITAIN this Year . . 302,209

Ditto last Year 358,277

Decrease 56,068

IN IRELAND.

<i>Circuits.</i>	<i>Members in Society.</i>	<i>Circuits.</i>	<i>Members in Society.</i>
DUBLIN, South	565	CORK	370
Dublin, North	685	Queenstown	39
Kingstown	76	Bandon	367
Drogheda	206	Skibbereen	250
Low	250	LIMERICK	244
FORD	210	Roscrea	163
.	256	Cloughjordan	158
nbarry	312	TULLAMOORE	214
l	173	Athlone	125

Circuits.	Members in Society.	Circuits.	Members in Society.
Maryborough	188	Downpatrick	273
Longford	163	NEWRY	250
SLIGO	391	Dungannon	401
Castlebar	50	Armagh	493
Ballina	110	Lurgan	534
Boyle	152	Moir and Dromore	494
CLONES	290	Tandragee	344
Cootehill	325	Portadown	569
Killesandra	360	MISSION STATIONS.	
Castleblaney, &c.	235	Lucan and Trim	150
Aughnacloy	240	Kilkenny	200
ENNISKILLEN	731	Tipperary	17
Brookborough	608	Youghal	90
Manorhamilton	660	Fermoy	70
Lowtherstown	980	Kinsale	96
Ballyshannon, &c.	494	Berehaven-Mines	50
LONDONDERRY	256	Kerry	101
Strabane	441	Ballinasloe	75
Omagh	561	Nenagh and Killaloe	102
BELFAST, South	692	Kilrush	45
Belfast, North	751	Galway	98
Ballyclare	257	Belmullet and Erris	40
Donaghadee	560	Cavan	95
Carrickfergus	220	Donegal	540
Coleraine	273	Rathmelton	104
Magherafelt	300	Newtownlimavady	68
Lisburn	345	Ballymena	220

Number of Members in IRELAND this year	20,815
Ditto last year	21,107
Decrease	292

The Numbers in Society at the Stations occupied by the **WESLEYAN MISSIONARIES** are as follows ;—not, however, including the Irish Missions, nor the *Domestic* Missions in Western Canada, the Societies of which are reckoned with the Numbers reported from Ireland, and with those under the care of the Wesleyan Conference in Canada in connexion with the British Conference :—

EUROPE.

Nos.	Nos.
WINNENDEN (Germany)	1000
FRANCE AND SWITZERLAND,	
Paris	38
Calais	35
Boulogne	39
Caën and Lisieux	72
Bar-le-Duc	8
Nismes, Anduze, &c.	397
Ganges (Cevennes)	38
Nyons, and Alps	186
Lausanne and Aigle	52
GIBRALTAR	73
Total in Europe	1,938
Last year	1,856
Increase	82

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<i>Feejee.</i>						<i>Nos.</i>	<i>Nos.</i>					
						<i>Nos.</i>	Total in the South-Sea					
Lakemba	1285	Missions 18,137					
Viwa	235	Last Year 17,453					
Bua	.	.	.	.	.	265						
Nandy	.	.	.	.	.	208	Increase 684					

AFRICA.

SOUTHERN AFRICA.

<i>The Cape District.</i>			
Cape-Town	260	Lesseyton, &c.	76
Rondebosch	46	Wittebergen	130
Wynberg	90	Butterworth	127
Stellenbosch	114	Beecham-Wood	10
Somerset (West)	193	Clarkebury	74
Khamiesberg	135	Morley	115
Nisbett-Bath	344	Shawbury	97
Concordiaville	39	Buntingville	66
Elephant-Fountain	89	<i>The Port-Natal and Amazulu District.</i>	
Roode-Volk	25	D'Urban	133
Franceman's Tribe	49	Pietermauritzberg	103
<i>The Albany and Kaffraria District.</i>		Kwangubeni	26
Graham's-Town	477	Indaleni	106
Salem and Farmerfield	228	Palmerton	46
Bathurst, &c.	142	<i>The Bechuana District.</i>	
Fort-Beaufort, &c.	130	Thaba-Unchu	220
Port-Elizabeth, &c.	65	Plaatberg	202
Cradock	95	Lishuani	26
Somerset, &c.	74	Umpukani	3
D'Urban (Fort-Peddie)—		Imparani	50
Newton-Dale, &c.	151	Colesberg, &c.	60
Mount-Coke — Wesleyville		Total in Southern Africa 4,621	
—East London	61	Last Year 4,365	
King William's Town, &c..	19	Increase 256	
Kamastone—Haslope-Hills,			
&c.	125		

WESTERN AFRICA.

<i>The Sierra-Leone District.</i>		Anamabu	122
Free-Town	3415	Domonasi, &c.	111
Hastings and Wellington .	1240	British Akrah, &c.	124
York	507	Ashanti	27
<i>The Gambia District.</i>		Badagry—Abbeokuta . .	57
St. Mary's	363		
Barra	38	Total in Western Africa	6,608
Macarthy's Island	236	Last Year	5,997
<i>The Gold-Coast and Ashanti</i>			
<i>District.</i>		Increase	611
Cape-Coast Town, &c. . .	368		

AMERICA.

WEST INDIES.

The Antigua District.

	Nos.
Antigua	2647
Dominica	967
Montserrat	410
Nevis	1697
St. Christopher's	3646
St. Eustatius	352
St. Bartholomew's	131
St. Martin's	377
Anguilla	413
Tortola	1757

Total in the Antigua District	12,397
Last Year	12,589
Decrease	192

The St. Vincent's and Demerara District.

Kingstown	2677
Biabou	2829
Grenada	665
Trinidad	930
Tobago	1286
George-Town	1529
Mahaica	383
Victoria	612
Barbadoes	2416

Total in the St. Vincent's and Demerara District	13,327
Last Year	13,542
Decrease	215

The Jamaica District.

Kingston	3621
Montego-Bay	709
Spanish-Town	757
Morant-Bay	916
Guy's-Hill, &c.	828

	Nos.
Grateful-Hill	480
Falmouth	542
St. Ann's Bay	539
Ocho-Rios	610
Beechamville	1083
Bath and Port-Morant	1836
Port-Antonio	306
Clarendon	846
Mount-Ward, &c.	1184
Brown's-Town	510
Duncan's	687
Yallahs	501
Mount-Fletcher	563
Linstead	445
Manchioneal	848
Belize and Charibb-Town (Honduras-Bay)	495

Total in the Jamaica District (including the Honduras-Bay Mission)	18,306
Last Year	20,717
Decrease	2,411

The Bahama District.

New-Providence	788
Eleuthera, First	449
Eleuthera, Second	340
Harbour-Island	537
Abaco	287
Andros-Island	20
Turk's-Island	441

Total in the Bahama District	2,862
Last Year	3,352
Decrease	490

The Hayti District.

Port-au-Prince	164
Port-au-Plaat and Samana	162

	Nos.		Nos.
Jérémie	29	Total in the Hayti District	412
Cape-Haïtien and Gonaïves	42	Last Year	387
Cayes	15	Increase	25

THE BRITISH DOMINIONS IN NORTH AMERICA.

<i>Indian Stations in Western Canada.</i>	
St. Clair—Muncey—Sau- geeng — Grand-River— New - Credit — New- Market and Snake- Island — Cartwright and Schoogog — Alderville— Rice and Mud Lakes— Rama and Orilia—Beau- soliel and French River— Sydenham and Owen's- Sound	1861
Total on the Indian Stations	1,861
Last year	1,081
Increase	780

<i>Eastern Canada District.</i>	
Montreal	641
Quebec	333
Three-Rivers	54
Wesleyville	196
St. John's, &c.	91
Huntingdon	180
Russelton	109
Odell-Town, &c.	312
Clarenceville	156
St. Armand's	145
Dunham	342
Shefford	215
Stanstead	190
Compton	114
Sherbrooke	190
Melbourne	275
Leeds	226

<i>Total in the Eastern Canada District</i>	
Canada District	3,769
Last Year	3,849
Decrease	80

The Nova-Scotia District.

Halifax	352
Halifax County	119
Lunenburg	249
Liverpool and Mill's-Village	285
Barrington	298
Shelburne	184
Yarmouth	146
Horton and Cornwallis . .	430
Windsor	98
Newport	364
Maitland	182
Truro and River-John . .	163
Amherst and Parrsborough	362
Wallace	510
Guysborough	215
Sydney (Cape-Breton) . .	130
Charlotte-Town (Prince Edward's Island) . . .	409
Bedeque (ditto)	246
Bermuda	445
Total in the Nova-Scotia District	5,187
Last Year	4,693
Increase	494

The New-Brunswick District.

St. John, South	671
St. John, North	100

	Nos.		Nos.
St. John, West	215	Carbonear	576
Frederickton	202	Blackhead	310
Nashwaak	166	Island-Cove	62
Sheffield, &c.	85	Perlican	180
Mill-Town	102	Port-de-Grave	82
St. Stephen's, &c.	191	Brigus	163
St. Andrew's	68	Bonavista	190
Sackville	115	Burin	100
Point-de-Bute	250	Green-Bay	201
Petitcodiac	170	Trinity-Bay	79
Hopewell	160	Grand-Bank	346
Sussex-Vale	249	Hant's-Harbour	50
Woodstock and Andover	205		
Annapolis	260	Total in the Newfoundland	
Bridgetown	172	District	2,607
Aylesford	240	Last Year	2,193
Miramichi	90		
Richibucto	87	Increase	414
Bathurst	113		
Total in the New-Brunswick District	3,911		
Last Year	3,725		
Increase	186		
<i>The Newfoundland District.</i>		<i>The Hudson's-Bay District.</i>	
St. John's	189	Ross-Ville	119
Harbour-Grace	79		
		Total in the Hudson's-Bay District	119
		Last Year	119

Recapitulation of Members in the Foreign Missions.

In Germany, France, Switzerland, and Gibraltar	1,938
In Continental India and Ceylon	1,949
In Australia, Van-Diemen's Land, New-Zealand, Friendly Islands, and Feejee	18,137
In Africa (Southern, 4,621 ; Western, 6,608)	11,229
In the West Indies	47,304
In British North America (exclusive of Domestic Missions in Western Canada).	17,454
Total number of Members under the care of the Missionaries this year	98,011
Last year	97,861
Increase	150
On trial for Church-Membership, as far as ascertained	7,846

GENERAL RECAPITULATION.

	Nos.
Number of Members in Great Britain - - -	302,209
Ditto in Ireland - - -	20,815
Ditto in our Foreign Stations, exclusive of the Members of the Irish Missions, and of the Domestic Missions in Upper Canada, which are both included in the General Report of the Wesleyan Missionary Society - -	98,011
Total number of Members under the care of the British and Irish Conferences - - -	421,035

N.B. The number of regular Ministers, and Preachers on Trial, and those who are Supernumerary and Superannuated, is as follows; viz.,—

In Great Britain,

Ministers - - -	925
Ditto Supernumerary and Superannuated - -	192
Preachers on Trial - - -	108
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In Ireland,

Ministers - - -	82
Ditto Supernumerary and Superannuated - -	32
Preachers on Trial - - -	18
Missionaries; viz.,—	
Ministers - - -	19
Ditto Supernumerary - - -	3
Preachers on Trial - - -	2
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	<hr/> 156

In our Foreign Stations,

Ministers - - -	309
Ditto Supernumerary and Superannuated - -	13
Preachers on Trial - - -	72
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Total - - -	1,775

Number of Members under the care of the <i>Wesleyan Conference in Canada</i> in connexion with the British Conference - - -	26,213
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Number of Ministers belonging to the <i>Wesleyan Conference in Canada</i> in connexion with the British Conference - - -	164
Supernumerary and Superannuated - - -	23
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Q. IX. Who is appointed the PRESIDENT OF THE NEXT CONFERENCE IN IRELAND, to be held in Dublin, on Wednesday, the 23d of June, 1852?

A. Our PRESIDENT, the REV. JOHN HANNAH, D.D.

N.B. 1. The Ex-President, the REV. JOHN BEECHAM, D.D., and the REV. DR. NEWTON, are appointed to accompany the President to the next Irish Conference.

2. The PRESIDENT and the REV. FRANCIS A. WEST are requested to visit Scotland in the month of October next, for the purpose of promoting the Missionary cause, and also of attending the Financial District-Meeting.

3. The REV. ROBERT YOUNG is appointed to attend the Annual Meeting of the Second South-Wales District-Committee, to be held at Aberystwith, in the spring of 1852.

4. The PRESIDENT and the REV. DR. NEWTON are requested to attend the Annual Meeting of the North-Wales District-Committee, to be held at Chester, in the spring of 1852.

5. Two of the English Ministers stationed in Wales shall attend the District-Meetings of the Welsh Ministers; and two of the Welsh Ministers shall attend the District-Meeting of the English Ministers in South-Wales.

6. The REV. ENOCH WOOD is appointed the President of the next Conference in Canada; and the REV. JOHN RYERSON, Co-Delegate.

7. The REV. JOHN STEPHENSON is appointed to attend the Annual Meeting of the Shetland Isles District, to be held in the spring of 1852.

Q. X. Who are the COMMITTEE FOR GUARDING OUR PRIVILEGES during the ensuing year?

A. The PRESIDENT and the SECRETARY of the CONFERENCE; all the Ministers appointed to the eight London Circuits; the Superintendents of the Deptford, Hammersmith, and Woolwich Circuits; and all those Ministers now living who have filled the office of PRESIDENT of the CONFERENCE;—with the REV. THOMAS WAUGH, the REV. JOHN GREER, and the REV. THOMAS MEREDITH, the Representatives of the Irish Conference;—together with the following Gentlemen:—

George Bowes, Esq., *London*;
John J. Buttress, Esq., *ditto*;
John Chubb, Esq., *ditto*;
John S. Elliott, Esq., *ditto*;
Thomas Farmer, Esq., *ditto*;
James Hoby, Esq., *ditto*;
Thomas Marriott, Esq., *ditto*;
Richard Matthews, Esq., *ditto*;
William W. Pocock, Esq., *ditto*;
Richard Marsden Reece, Esq., *ditto*;

Greaves Walker, Esq., *London*;
Benjamin Agar, Esq., *York*;
Thomas Allen, Esq., *Macclesfield*;
T. Percival Bunting, Esq., *Manchester*;
John Burton, Esq., *Middleton*;
John Daniel Burton, Esq., *ditto*;
John Burton, Esq., *Roundhay, Leeds*;
Joseph Carne, Esq., *Penzance*;
Charles Cooper, Esq., *Manchester*;
William Dyson, Esq., *Howden*;

Robert Fawsitt, Esq., *Scarborough* ;
 John Fernley, Esq., *Manchester* ;
 George Heald, Esq., *Liverpool* ;
 James Heald, Esq., M.P., *Stockport* ;
 Mr. Francis Heeley, *Birmingham* ;
 James Henwood, Esq., *Hull* ;
 William B. Holdsworth, Esq., *Leeds* ;
 Thomas B. Holy, Esq., *Sheffield* ;
 John Irving, Esq., *Bristol* ;
 John R. Kay, Esq., *Bury* ;
 James Meek, Esq., *York* ;
 Robert Middleton, Esq., *Cheltenham* ;
 George Morley, Esq., *Leeds* ;

Thomas Potter, Esq., *Manchester* ;
 Thomas Sands, Esq., *Liverpool* ;
 Humphry Sandwith, Esq., M.D., *Hull* ;
 William G. Scarth, Esq., *Cheltenham* ;
 William Skinner, Esq., *Stockton* ;
 George Smith, Esq., *Camborne* ;
 Samuel H. Smith, Esq., *Sheffield* ;
 John F. Sutcliffe, Esq., *Willow-Hall* ;
 Thomas Walker, Esq., *Cheltenham* ;
 William Walker, Esq., *Bradford* ;
 J. P. Brown Westhead, Esq., M.P.,
Leigh Castle ;
 Peter Wood, Esq., M.D., *Manchester*.

N.B.—Resolved, 1. That the cordial thanks of the Conference are due, and are hereby presented, to the Committee for Guarding our Privileges for their efficient attention to the important business confided to their care.

2. That the cordial thanks of the Conference be presented to the Secretaries, the REV. CHARLES PREST and the REV. THOMAS VASEY, for their diligent and able attention to the interests of the Connexion during the year; and that the REV. CHARLES PREST, the REV. THOMAS VASEY, and the REV. J. GILCHRIST WILSON be appointed the Secretaries for the ensuing year.

3. A Committee is hereby specially appointed for cases of exigency demanding immediate attention, or requiring prompt communication with the Government or with Parliament on subjects affecting our public interests, which shall consist of the President and the Secretary of the Conference, the Ex-President, the Secretaries of the Committee of Privileges, the General Secretaries of our Missions, the Chairman and the Secretaries of the Education Committee, the Revds. William Barton, Dr. Bunting, Frederick J. Jobson, Peter M'Owan, John Mason, William Naylor, William L. Thornton, Samuel D. Waddy, Thomas Waugh;—T. Percival Bunting, Esq., Thomas Farmer, Esq., James Heald, Esq., M.P., James Hoby, Esq., John R. Kay, Esq., Richard Matthews, Esq., John Vanner, Esq., Greaves Walker, Esq., and J. P. Brown Westhead, Esq., M.P.

4. The Conference presents its thanks to the members of "the Committee appointed to afford advice and assistance in cases involving any attempt to invade the property belonging to the Connexion," for the very valuable services it has rendered to the Body during the past year; and expresses its approval of the general course it has pursued, and of the pecuniary arrangements it has found necessary to adopt with a view to the effective carrying out of its measures.

5. The Conference directs that its grateful acknowledgments be conveyed to those Gentlemen who have kindly afforded assistance in raising the funds which have been required for the purposes of

the above Committee; and hereby empowers that Committee to adopt similar measures for raising any moneys which may be further required for the protection of Connexional property.

6. The cordial thanks of the Conference are hereby presented to the REV. THOMAS VASEY, and to the REV. J. GILCHRIST WILSON, for their able and assiduous services as the Secretaries of the above Committee; and the REV. CHARLES PREST, the REV. THOMAS VASEY, and the REV. J. GILCHRIST WILSON are appointed the Secretaries for the year ensuing.

N.B. All communications to be addressed to the REV. CHARLES PREST, 23, *City-Road, London*.

7. The following persons are appointed the Committee for the year ensuing; viz., the President and the Secretary of the Conference, the Ex-President, the Revds. William Barton, Dr. Bunting, Samuel Jackson, Thomas Jackson, Peter M'Owan, John Mason, William Naylor, George Osborn, John Rattenbury, John Scott, Francis A. West, and Robert Young;—T. Percival Bunting, Esq., John Chubb, Esq., Charles Cooper, Esq., William Corderoy, Esq., John Corderoy, Esq., Thomas Farmer, Esq., James Heald, Esq., M.P., James Hunter, Esq., John Lidgett, Esq., Richard Matthews, Esq., William Merry, Esq., William Pearce, Esq., William W. Pocock, Esq., John Vanner, Esq., and Greaves Walker, Esq.

Q. XI. What is the opinion of the Conference respecting the RECENT ACTS OF PAPAL AGGRESSION?

A. 1. The Conference, regarding with just indignation the late attempts of the Court of Rome to encroach upon the rights of British Protestants, and to establish a hierarchical rule and authority of its own in this Protestant country, has viewed with unfeigned satisfaction the noble stand which has been recently made against these Papal aggressions by the Government and true-hearted people of this great country. It hereby records its cordial approval of the principles avowed in the Resolutions of the Committee of Privileges in November last, and directs that they be published as an Appendix to the Minutes. (See Appendix.)

2. The Conference, being fully persuaded that the prevalence of Popery is not only destructive of pure religion and morality, but is always followed by disastrous consequences to the interests of religious and civil liberty, deems it the sacred duty of every Christian to withstand the open and disguised efforts of the usurping Court of Rome. It therefore solemnly exhorts its Ministers and faithful people to use their utmost endeavours to diffuse the principles of the Protestant Reformation, and to counteract the pernicious tenets and practices of the Romish apostasy.

3. The Conference hails with satisfaction the formation of certain Protestant Associations, and especially that denominated the

“ Protestant Alliance,” based on truly catholic principles, for the purpose of making a united and determined resistance to the insidious advances of the Papal power ; and prays that the great Head of the church may direct and strengthen them in the use of such measures as shall tend to maintain the Protestant principles and institutions of this country, and secure for Christians in other countries the unfettered right of reading the holy Scriptures, and of worshipping God according to the dictates of their own conscience.

MISSIONS.

Q. XII. What are the Resolutions of the Conference in reference to our MISSIONS ?

A. 1. The following persons are appointed the General Committee of Management for the ensuing year ;—viz., the PRESIDENT and the SECRETARY of the CONFERENCE ; the GENERAL TREASURERS ; the Treasurer of the London District Auxiliary Society, JOHN J. BUTTRESS, Esq. ; Sixteen of the Ministers appointed to the London Circuits, viz.,

The Rev. William Arthur, A.M.,
 ——— William Barton,
 ——— Dr. Beecham,
 ——— Dr. Bunting,
 ——— John Hall,
 ——— Elijah Hoole,
 ——— Thomas Jackson,
 ——— Frederick J. Jobson,

The Rev. Peter M'Owan,
 ——— John Mason,
 ——— William Naylor,
 ——— George Osborn,
 ——— Charles Prest,
 ——— John Rattenbury,
 ——— William L. Thornton, A.M.,
 ——— Robert Young ;—

The sixteen following Gentlemen of *London*, viz.,—

Mr. William Bourne,
 Mr. John Chubb,
 Mr. John Corderoy,
 Mr. Christopher Gabriel,
 Walter Griffith, Esq.,
 P. Brames, Hall, Esq.,
 James Heald, Esq., M.P.,
 James Hunter, Esq.,

Mr. Peter Kruse,
 Mr. Francis Lycett,
 Mr. William Pearce,
 William W. Pocock, Esq.,
 Mr. Francis Shaw,
 John Vanner, Esq.,
 Greaves Walker, Esq.,
 Mr. William Williams ;—

And, for the *Country*,—

The Rev. Dr. Alder,
 ——— William Burt,
 ——— Corbett Cooke,
 ——— Jonathan Crowther,
 ——— Henry Davies,
 ——— John P. Haswell,
 ——— Dr. Newton,
 ——— Samuel D. Waddy ;

William J. Beet, Esq., *Sheffield* ;
 John Burton, Esq., *Leeds* ;
 William Cheesborough, Esq., *Bradford* ;
 Thomas Crook, Esq., *Liverpool* ;
 John Robinson Kay, Esq., *Bury* ;
 George Smith, Esq., *Camborne* ;
 J. P. Brown Westhead, Esq., M.P.,
 Leigh Castle ;
 Peter Wood, Esq., M.D., *Manchester*.

WALTER GRIFFITH, JOHN M. CAMPLIN, A. H. LATTEY, JAMES HUNTER, and FREDERICK INGOLDBY, ESQRS., of London, are requested to act as a Medical Sub-Committee.

The following Gentlemen are appointed a Sub-Committee, to meet prior to the next Conference, and to report on the affairs of the Polynesian Missionary Ship:—Mr. Chodwick, London; Francis Colley, Esq., Shields; Thomas Crook, Esq., Liverpool; John Irving, Esq., Bristol; Mr. Lidgett, London; Mr. Matthews, Penzance; Mr. Pryde, Liverpool; Thomas Sands, Esq., ditto; Thomas Speeding, Esq., Monkwearmouth; George Tindall, Esq., London; Mark Whitwell, Esq., Bristol; and the Rev. William Horton; with power to add to their number.

2. The thanks of the Conference are hereby presented to the General Committee, for their very faithful and able direction of the affairs of our Missions during the past year.

3. The cordial thanks of the Conference are hereby presented to THOMAS FARMER, Esq., and the REV. JOHN SCOTT, for their important services as General Treasurers of the Wesleyan Missionary Society during the past year; and they are respectfully requested to accept that office for the year ensuing.

4. The cordial thanks of the Conference are hereby presented to the REV. DR. BUNTING, the REV. DR. ALDER, and the REV. ELIJAH HOOLE, the General Secretaries, for their very acceptable and useful services to our Missions during the past year.

5. At the several Financial District-Meetings, which shall be held in September, arrangements shall be made for holding Missionary Meetings throughout the respective Districts, chiefly those to be held in the Circuit-Towns, during the ensuing year; so that such Meetings may be held at the least possible expense; and the District Treasurers and Secretaries shall be earnestly invited to attend the said District-Meetings, when such arrangements are under consideration. The plan for each District, thus provisionally arranged, shall be immediately transmitted by the Chairman to the several Ministers who form the Deputation for that District, as appointed in the List of Deputations hereafter subjoined. The said Ministers are required to correspond with the Chairman forthwith; in order that such *final* arrangements may be adopted, by mutual consent, as to the exact time of holding the Missionary Meetings for the Circuits of each District, as will prevent in future the great inconvenience which has resulted from the absence, on any Missionary Deputation, of more than one Minister from the same Circuit at the same time. It is required that a copy of each final arrangement, thus formed, shall be immediately forwarded to the General Secretaries in London. It is also recommended that one of the usual Quarterly Meetings of each District Auxiliary Committee be summoned during the sitting of the Annual District-Meeting, for the purpose of investigating the expenses incurred at Anniversaries, &c.

6. The Chairmen of Districts are requested immediately after the District-Meeting in May, to send to the General Secretaries

of the Missions a copy of that part of the District-Minutes which contains the names, qualifications, &c., of those Candidates who may offer themselves for Missionary work.

7. The following Ministers and other Friends are particularly invited to attend a Special Meeting of the General Missionary Committee, which will be held in Sheffield, at nine o'clock in the forenoon of Tuesday, July 27th, 1852, according to the Seventeenth Article of the "Laws and Regulations of the Wesleyan Missionary Society;" viz.,—the Revds. William Bacon, John Bowers, Isaac Keeling, James Methley, John Rigg, Thomas H. Squance, William W. Stamp, Samuel Tindall, and Francis A. West;—with Benjamin Agar, Esq., York; Thomas B. Holy, Esq., Sheffield; John Jones, Esq., Sheffield; Henry Longden, Esq., Sheffield; Alderman Meek, Esq., York; — Peel, Esq., Bradford; H. Sandwith, Esq., M.D., Hull; S. H. Smith, Esq., Sheffield; and Richard Walker, Esq., Stockton.

N.B. The Missionary Committee are empowered to invite to this Meeting such persons, being Treasurers and Secretaries of the different Auxiliary and Branch Societies, and also such other leading friends of the Wesleyan Missions, as are disposed to take an active part in the support and extension of our Missionary Society.

8. On the recommendation of the Committee of Review, held July 29th, 1851, the Conference adopts the following Resolutions of the General Committee, held July 9th, 1851:—

(1.) That the Committee have received with the most profound regret and sorrow Dr. Bunting's announcement, that, owing to the state of his health, he considers it his duty to retire from the active engagements and responsibilities of the office he has long held as one of the General Secretaries of this Society, the counsels of his medical adviser having concurred with his own convictions in bringing him to this resolution; while, at the same time, he states that, so far as his strength will allow him, he is most desirous of affording to the Society and Committee—to both of which he avows his unabated attachment and love—any aid and counsel which may be in his power, so long as God may be pleased to prolong his life.

(2.) That, in these affecting circumstances, the Committee feel themselves no longer at liberty to place any difficulty in the way of Dr. Bunting's retirement, and recommend to the Conference that, in submission to a painful dispensation of Divine Providence, Dr. Bunting's resignation of the office he has held for so many years to the honour and advantage of the Society be most respectfully accepted.

(3.) That, on the occasion of the retirement of Dr. Bunting from active service in connection with this Society, the Committee take this opportunity to place on record some expression of the

high respect they entertain for the character and labours of their revered friend and colleague. They regard with thankfulness the eminent services Dr. Bunting was enabled to render to the church, and to the cause of Missions, as one of the founders of this Society, and the advantage it derived in its early history from his able and successful advocacy of its interests and operations. They are satisfied that the confidence reposed in this Society by the public of this country, and the churches of Christendom at large, and the liberal pecuniary support which it has received, have been owing in no small degree to the unrestrained disinterestedness and zeal with which Dr. Bunting has from the commencement devoted himself to its management and direction. They are persuaded that Dr. Bunting's name and influence have been of the highest value to this Society in its intercourse with the Government at various critical periods in the history of its Missions. They bear in mind the triumph of Christianity exhibited in the maintenance of the Missions in the West Indies during the trying period of Negro slavery; the abolition of that iniquitous system, and the subsequent enlargement of the Society's operations in the West Indies; the extension of the Missions in India, in Western and Southern Africa, in the vast regions of Australia and Polynesia, and in other parts of the world; in the promotion of which measures and operations Dr. Bunting has taken an active and prominent part as a member of this Committee. While, therefore, the Committee receive with affectionate reluctance the announcement of Dr. Bunting's unavoidable retirement from public labour, they feel bound to connect with it the expression of devout thankfulness to Almighty God that His honoured servant has been permitted for so long a period to afford his valuable services to this Society; and they trust and hope that his life will be mercifully spared and prolonged for the comfort of his family, and that this Society will for years to come have the advantage of his wisdom and experience in the conduct of its affairs.

(4.) That Dr. Bunting be very earnestly and affectionately requested to afford the aid of his counsel to the Missionary Secretaries and to the Committee, so far as his health will permit.

(5.) That the Committee entertain an earnest desire that Dr. Bunting will continue in the occupation of the house in Myddelton-Square, in which he now resides, and of its furniture.

9. The Conference also adopts the following Resolution of the General Committee on the recommendation of the Committee of Review, held July 29th, 1851:—

“That on the occasion of the retirement of the Rev. Dr. Alder from the office of Secretary, after having served in that capacity for the period of eighteen years, the Committee record their high sense of the valuable and faithful services which he has rendered to the Society at home and abroad. They remember with grati-

tude the merciful protection vouchsafed to him in his frequent voyages across the Atlantic, and in his journeys both in America and in Great Britain; as well as the success which has attended his negotiations with the Imperial Government, and the Colonial authorities in Canada, in relation to various matters connected with the interests of our Missions, and the welfare of the Indian tribes in the Western section of that province; and they indulge the hope that his life will long be spared for the service of the church, and that this Society will still have the benefit of his eloquent advocacy and hearty support, so far as may be compatible with the other duties to which, in the providence of God, he is about to be devoted.

MISSIONARY DEPUTATIONS, 1851-52.

Districts.

<i>Bedford and Northampton,</i>	{ John C. Pengelly, Thomas Nightingale,
<i>Kent,</i>	{ J. Gilchrist Wilson, John Martin.
<i>Norwich and Lynn,</i>	{ George B. Macdonald, James H. Rigg.
<i>Oxford,</i>	{ William B. Stephenson, Luke H. Wiseman,
<i>Portsmouth,</i>	{ Timothy C. Ingle, Willson Brailsford.
<i>Guernsey,</i>	{ James Methley, Henry Bleby.
<i>Devonport,</i>	{ Thomas Pennington, Daniel West.
<i>Cornwall, (West,)</i>	{ Robert Newstead, William M. Bunting.
<i>Cornwall, (East,)</i>	{ George Scott, 1st, Henry H. Chettle.
<i>Exeter,</i>	{ William L. Thornton, M.A., Frederick J. Jobson.
<i>Bristol,</i>	{ Peter M'Owan, John Parkes.
<i>Bath,</i>	{ Peter Duncan, Charles Prest.
<i>First South Wales,</i>	{ Dr. Dixon, John Gostick.
<i>Birmingham and Shrewsbury,</i>	{ John Nelson, 1st, Luke Tyerman.
<i>Macclesfield,</i>	{ Charles Westlake.
<i>Liverpool,</i>	{ The President of the Conference, Alfred Barrett,
<i>Manchester and Bolton,</i>	{ William J. Shrewsbury, George Maunder.
<i>Halifax and Bradford,</i>	{ William Barton, Richard Brown.
<i>Leeds,</i>	{ Dr. Alder, David Hay.
<i>Sheffield,</i>	{ John Thomas, 1st, John Rattenbury,
<i>Nottingham and Derby,</i>	{ Edward Walker, Thomas Vasey.
<i>Lincoln, (South,)</i>	{ William Horton, Dr. Etheridge.
<i>Lincoln, (North,)</i>	{ Dr. Newton, Robert Young, John Thomas, 1st.
	{ John Thomas, 1st, John Hall, John C. Leppington.
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	{ Charles Haydon, William Fox, 1st.
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3. The following are the Local Committees for the ensuing year :—

NEW-KINGSWOOD SCHOOL.—Rev. Corbett Cooke, *Chairman* ; Rev. J. Cusworth, *Local Treasurer* ; Rev. John C. Pengelly, *Secretary* ; Revds. William P. Burgess, A.M., Peter Duncan, William Elton, William Hessel, James Taylor, 1st, Luke Tyerman, Charles Westlake, and William Willan ;—with James Budgett, Esq., Thomas Exley, Esq., A.M., Thomas Harris, Esq., John Irving, Esq., J. Ayre, Esq., Francis Riggall, Esq., Mr. Gilbert, and Mr. Price, of Bristol ; Mr. John Collins, Mr. W. Batchelor, Mr. J. Taylor, William B. Lidiard, Esq., Mr. A. Mowat, and Mr. W. Phipps, of Bath.

WOODHOUSE-GROVE SCHOOL.—Rev. Dr. Alder, *Chairman* ; Rev. William Lord, *Local Treasurer* ; Rev. John H. James, *Secretary* ; Revds. Willson Brailsford, James Carr, James Catton, Benjamin Clough, Thomas Dickin, Elijah Jackson, George Jackson, Robert Jackson, Joseph Lawton, John M'Owan, William J. Shrewsbury, Thomas H. Squance, William Stevinson, and Edward Walker ;—with John Burton, Esq., William Smith, Esq., George Smith, Esq., George Morley, Esq., and W. B. Holdsworth, Esq., of Leeds ; Mr. Thomas Haigh, W. Cheesborough, Esq., and S. Anderson, Esq., of Bradford ; W. Pawson, Esq., of Farnley ; John F. Sutcliffe, Esq., of Willow-Hall ; Benjamin L. Shaw, Esq., and Thomas Mallinson, Esq., of Huddersfield ; John Yewdall, Esq., of Rawdon ; Mr. Jonas Sugden, of Keighley ; Robert Mackie, Esq., of Wakefield ; and Mr. F. Roper, of Halifax.

4. The Private Subscriptions and Public Collections for the School-Fund are to be made in every Circuit in the month of November ; and the Conference repeats and urges its recommendation to our lay-friends to render assistance to the Ministers in procuring the Private Subscriptions. The sums allowed to Ministers stationed in Circuits, for the education of their daughters, and of such of their sons as cannot obtain admission into the Schools, may be paid out of the amount raised in the Circuits where they are stationed, if sufficient for that purpose. In other cases, we repeat our Minute made in 1820 : “The allowances for education do not become due until the next Conference, and are not to be paid in advance, except so far as the Collections and Subscriptions to the Fund in any Circuit will meet the claims of that Circuit. But when the Governors of the Schools have been fully enabled to provide for their current expenditure, if a surplus remain in the hands of the Treasurers, they may make such remittances, in advance, to Circuits in which the claims are large, and the contributions small, as may suit their convenience.”

5. The general Treasurers and Secretaries shall furnish every

Superintendent with an accurate List of the names of the boys and girls to whom the Education allowance is granted.

6. The Chairmen of Districts are directed to send to the Governors, immediately after each Annual District-Meeting, a list of the names of the boys recommended for admission into the Schools.

7. Every Superintendent is required to send to the General Treasurers a particular account of the sums contributed in his Circuit to this Fund, and of the claims made upon it; stating distinctly the names of the children for whose education the usual allowance has been paid, and the exact number of years during which the allowance has been received; and it is further expressly required that such accounts, with any balance then in hand due to the Fund, shall be sent not later than the 15th of December. These communications to be addressed to the REV. HENRY BLEBY, 3, *Northampton-Square, Clerkenwell, London.*

8. The accounts for the year will be closed on the 23d of June, and audited before they are presented to the General Committee of the next Conference; and, in order to this, *every Superintendent is required, at the May District-Meeting, finally to correct his List of Contributions sent in December, and to pay at the same time all additional Subscriptions or Collections;* and the Financial Secretary shall send to the Treasurers such corrections, with an extract from the District-Minutes of every entry which relates to the School-Fund. This communication shall be made not later than the 31st of May.

9. At every District-Meeting, on the day on which the Circuit-Stewards are in attendance, during the transaction of the Financial business of the District, the Chairman is directed to inquire particularly into the amount of the Subscriptions and Collections raised for the School-Fund in each Circuit, and to compare them with the lists of the preceding year. Where any material deficiency, or want of due exertion, shall appear, the case shall be specially reported in the District-Minutes, and be brought by the Chairman before the ensuing Conference.

10. The thanks of the Conference are presented to JOHN IRVING, Esq., and the REV. CHARLES PREST, the General Treasurers, and to the REV. PETER M'OWAN and the REV. HENRY BLEBY, the General Secretaries, for their efficient discharge of the duties of their respective offices during the year.

11. The thanks of the Conference are presented to the Local Committees and Secretaries for their attention to the affairs of the Schools during the year.

12. The thanks of the Conference are presented to the REV. JOSEPH CUSWORTH and the REV. WILLIAM LORD, the Governors of the Schools, and to MRS. CUSWORTH and MRS. LORD, for their kind and diligent attention to the comfort and welfare of the children placed under their care.

13. The thanks of the Conference are presented to the following Friends for their liberal subscriptions and donations to the Fund ; viz.,—

	£.	s.	d.
F. Riggall, Esq., Bristol	10	0	0
Mrs. Bentley, Huddersfield	5	5	0
W. Atherton, Esq., Q.C., London	5	0	0
H. Goring, Esq., Oxford	5	0	0

14. The thanks of the Conference are given to the REV. JONATHAN CROWTHER, for his valuable services as the Classical and Mathematical Examiner of the Schools during the past year ; and MR. CROWTHER is respectfully requested to undertake the same duties for the year ensuing.

Q. XIV. What does the Conference resolve on the Report of the Committee appointed to effect the REMOVAL OF KINGSWOOD SCHOOL ?

A. 1. The Conference receives with much satisfaction the report of the efforts which have been put forth towards defraying the expense of the erection of the buildings at New-Kingswood, and directs that, in order to an early and satisfactory completion of the whole affair, to be reported to the next Conference, public Collections be made in those places in which it has not been convenient during the last year to attend to the regulation of the Conference in this respect. (See Minutes, 1850, p. 437.)

2. The thanks of the Conference are presented to JOHN VANNER, Esq., and the REV. FREDERICK J. JOBSON, the Treasurers of the New-Kingswood School Building-Fund, and to those Ministers and Gentlemen who formed the Committee of Management, for their efficient discharge of the duties with which they were entrusted.

3. JOHN VANNER, Esq., and the REV. FREDERICK J. JOBSON, are re-appointed the Treasurers of this Fund.

4. The following Ministers and Gentlemen shall be the Committee of Management for the erection of the New-Kingswood School ; namely, the President and the Secretary of the Conference, the Ex-President, the Revds. Dr. Bunting, Joseph Cusworth, Frederick J. Jobson, John Mason, Charles Prest, and John Scott ;—with William Betts, Esq., T. Percival Bunting, Esq., Thomas Farmer, Esq., J. Robinson Kay, Esq., George Smith, Esq., Archibald Vickers, Esq., and the members of the Local Committee of Kingswood School.

BOOK AFFAIRS.

Q. XV. What are the Resolutions of the Conference in reference to the affairs of the Book-Room ?

A. 1. The REV. J. GILCHRIST WILSON is appointed Secretary to the London Book-Committee for the ensuing year. Letters should be addressed to him, at *No. 14, City-Road, London.*

2. The REV. THEOPHILUS WOOLMER is re-appointed Secretary of the Methodist Tract-Committee. Communications for this department should be addressed to him, at No. 14, *City-Road, London*.

3. The General Book-Committee shall consist of the President and the Secretary of the Conference, the Ex-President, and the members of the London Book-Committee who may attend the Conference; with the Revds. William Bacon, Hugh Beech, William P. Burgess, A.M., William Burt, Jonathan Crowther, Henry Davies, Thomas Dickin, Dr. Dixon, Joseph Hargreaves, John P. Haswell, Israel Holgate, Timothy C. Ingle, George Jackson, Robert Jackson, Isaac Keeling, Joseph Lawton, John Lomas, George B. Macdonald, George Marsden, Robert Newstead, Edward Nye, John C. Pengelly, John Rigg, Peter Samuel, George Scott, 1st, John Smith, 2d, William Smith, 1st, John Stephenson, George Taylor, Samuel Tindall, Thomas Vasey, Samuel D. Waddy, Edward Walker, Francis A. West, and the Representatives of the Irish Conference.

4. The thanks of the Conference are presented to the REV. WILLIAM L. THORNTON, M.A., the Editor, for the faithful and able manner in which he has performed his duties during the year.

5. The thanks of the Conference are presented to the REV. JOHN MASON, for his diligent, faithful, and efficient management of the affairs of the Book-Room during the year.

6. The thanks of the Conference are presented to the REV. JOSEPH HARGREAVES, for his services as Secretary to the London Book-Committee; to the REV. THEOPHILUS WOOLMER, the Secretary of the Tract-Committee; and to the London Book-Committee, for their judicious direction of the affairs of the Book-Room during the year.

7. The thanks of the Conference are presented to the REV. SAMUEL JACKSON, and the Sub-Committee who, in conjunction with him, have edited the Periodical entitled "The Vindicator," for the valuable services they have thereby rendered to the cause of constitutional Methodism.

8. The thanks of the Conference are presented to the REV. J. GILCHRIST WILSON, for his valuable and efficient services, as Assistant-Editor, from the time of the lamented death of the REV. GEORGE CUBITT, to the Conference.

9. The thanks of the Conference are presented to the REVDS. JOHN BROWN, JOHN HALL, JOSEPH HARGREAVES, and THEOPHILUS WOOLMER, for the fidelity and care with which they audited the Book-Room accounts for the past year.

CHAPEL AFFAIRS.

Q. XVI. What are the Resolutions of the Conference with regard to the GENERAL CHAPEL-FUND, and the CHAPEL-RELIEF FUND?

A. (I. General Chapel-Fund :)

1. The cordial thanks of the Conference are presented to THOMAS MARRIOTT, Esq., the Treasurer of the General Chapel-Fund, and to the REV. FRANCIS A. WEST, the General Secretary, for their diligent and faithful services during the past year; and they are hereby re-appointed to the same offices for the ensuing year. The REV. JOSEPH HARGREAVES is appointed joint Treasurer with Mr. MARRIOTT.

2. The Committee of Distribution of the GENERAL CHAPEL-FUND shall meet in Sheffield, on the Friday previous to the next Conference; and shall consist of the President and the Secretary of the Conference, and the Ex-President,—the Treasurers and Secretary of the General Chapel-Fund, the Treasurer, Secretaries, and Committee of the Chapel-Relief Fund, the Chairman and the Secretary of the Chapel-Building Committee, the Revds. William Barton, Dr. Bunting, William Burt, Henry Davies, Peter Duncan, Thomas Jackson, William Lord, Peter M'Owan, James Methley, William Naylor, John Rigg, John Scott, John Smith, 2d, William W. Stamp, and Samuel D. Waddy; and *fifteen* Lay-Trustees, to be chosen as follows by the June Quarterly Meetings; viz.,—two from Sheffield West and Sheffield East; and one from Rotherham, Doncaster, Nottingham South, Nottingham North, Derby, Lincoln, York, Leeds First, Leeds Second, Macclesfield, and Manchester First Circuits.

3. All Collections and Subscriptions are to be remitted to the Treasurers of the General Chapel-Fund, (Mr. Marriott and the Rev. Joseph Hargreaves,) *at the latest, before the end of March, 1852*; and the Chairmen of Districts are hereby directed to make inquiry in their respective District-Meetings, whether this Rule has been observed, and to insert an answer to that inquiry in the District-Minutes.

4. The Conference directs that every application to the General Chapel-Fund Committee shall be accompanied by the new Chapel-Schedules, duly filled up, and signed by the Chairman of the District, in the District-Meeting: and it further directs that the said Schedules shall be forwarded to the General Secretary of the Chapel-Fund, before July 1st; and that all cases in which this latter direction shall not have been complied with, shall be postponed for at least one year.

5. The General Chapel-Fund Committee shall annually revise the cases recorded in the Minute-Book of the Chapel-Building Committee, and call for proof of the fulfilment of the prescribed conditions.

6. It shall be a condition of affording relief to any Chapel-case, that the Trustees will engage permanently to subscribe to the General Chapel-Fund.

(II. *Chapel-Relief Fund* :)

1. The cordial and respectful thanks of the Conference are hereby presented to JOHN BURTON, Esq., of Middleton, the Treasurer of the Chapel-Relief Fund, to the REV. FRANCIS A. WEST, and MR. JOHN D. BURTON, the Secretaries, and to the Members of the Committee, for their diligent and faithful services during the past year; and the Treasurer and Secretaries are respectfully requested to continue their services during the ensuing year.

2. The CHAPEL-RELIEF COMMITTEE for the distribution of Final Grants in aid of embarrassed Chapels, shall consist of the following persons; viz.,—the President of the Conference, the Revds. John Brandreth, William Burt, Charles Haydon, Israel Holgate, Isaac Keeling, William Kelk, John Lomas, George Marsden, Robert Newstead, Dr. Newton, John Raby, Richard Ray, Joseph Roberts, and Thomas Staton;—with Thomas Crook, Esq., Charles Cooper, Esq., John Fernley, Esq., James Heald, Esq., M.P., John Lomas, Esq., Peter Wood, Esq., M.D., George Marsden, Esq., James Marshall, Esq., Richard Bealey, Esq., T. Percival Bunting, Esq., J. Robinson Kay, Esq., Daniel S. Leather, Esq., Samuel R. Healey, Esq., John Farnworth, Esq., John Napier, Esq., Charles Simpson, Esq., and Archibald Vickers, Esq. The Treasurers and Secretary are, *ex officio*, members of the Committee.

3. This Committee (who have power to add to their number, if they deem it expedient) are directed to consider applications from the Trustees of Embarrassed Chapels for Relief by Final Grants, towards the reduction of debt, and to decide what proportions of the amount to be liquidated shall be raised by the Trustees and friends of each Chapel to be relieved. The Committee are directed to hold their first Meeting in October next.

4. All Letters containing applications for Final Grants must be accompanied by the Schedules prepared by the direction of the Conference, properly filled up and signed. A new Schedule must be forwarded on every new application, and addressed (post-paid) to the REV. FRANCIS A. WEST, *Daulby-Street, Liverpool*.

5. The Conference strongly disapproves of the conduct of certain Trustees of Chapels, in several parts of the Connexion, who have attempted, by advertisements, circulars, or otherwise, to take an undue advantage of the benevolent feelings of our friends, by making applications for pecuniary aid beyond the boundaries of their own Circuits, in an irregular and unauthorised way. And as such practices tend to diminish the income of the General Chapel-Fund, and thereby to injure the just claims of those Trustees who act legally and conscientiously, the Conference earnestly advises our friends to refuse any aid to persons thus begging for the erection and enlargement of Chapels, or for the liquidation of Chapel-debts, without any regular Connexional and

official authority. According to our standing rule, every Chapel for which contributions have been solicited thus irregularly, or in places beyond the boundaries of the Circuit to which such Chapel belongs, must be excluded from the benefit of relief from the Chapel-Fund.

Q. XVII. What is the opinion of the Conference on the dissolution of the Union of the General Chapel and Education Fund? (See Minutes of 1850, p. 441.)

A. 1. The Conference adopts the Report of the Committee appointed to devise the best means to meet the exigencies of our Chapel Trusts, and the wants of the Connexion in reference to the Education movement, viz.,—

“That the connection hitherto subsisting between the Chapel and Education Fund shall no longer be continued.

“That the Chapel-Fund shall be sustained by the February Collections, by the official subscriptions of the Trustees of Chapels, and by such private subscriptions as may be offered for this distinctive object; but that *applications* for private subscriptions to this Fund shall be discontinued.

“That, for the sustentation of the Education Fund, the Conference be respectfully requested to direct that a Public Collection be made in our Chapels twice in the day on a Sunday to be appointed; and further, that applications shall be made to the parties who have subscribed to the United Chapel and Education Fund, and to all others who may be likely to take an interest in the support and extension of this Christian and patriotic object, for annual subscriptions, to be exclusively devoted to the support of this Fund.”

2. The Conference directs that the public Collections for the purpose of promoting Wesleyan Day-School Education shall be made in the month of April.

CHAPEL-BUILDING COMMITTEE.

Q. XVIII. Who are the CHAPEL-BUILDING COMMITTEE (without whose previous consent, obtained in writing, no Chapel, whether large or small, is to be erected, purchased, or enlarged) for the ensuing year?

A. 1. The Revds. John Brandreth, William Burt, William Fox, Charles Haydon, Israel Holgate, Isaac Keeling, William Kelk, John Lomas, George Marsden, George T. Perks, William T. Radcliffe, Richard Ray, William H. Taylor, Francis A. West, and William Wilson;—with Mr. J. Blakeley, T. Percival Bunting, Esq., John Burton, Esq., John D. Burton, Esq., Charles Cooper, Esq., John Fernley, Esq., J. Robinson Kay, Esq., John Lomas, Esq., John Makinson, Esq., George Marsden, Esq., John Napier, Esq., Francis Parnell, Esq., C. W. Rippon, Esq., Archibald Vickers, Esq., and Peter Wood, Esq., M.D.

N.B. The obligation to consult the Building Committee extends to all cases of erection, purchase, or enlargement, whether pecuniary responsibility be incurred, or otherwise.

2. The thanks of the Conference are hereby presented to the REV. GEORGE MARSDEN, the Chairman, and to the Members of the Committee, for their diligent attention to the business brought before them during the past year. The REV. GEORGE MARSDEN is re-appointed the Chairman of this Committee, and the REV. WILLIAM KELK the Secretary, for the ensuing year. All letters on the subject of Chapels to be built or enlarged, should be addressed to the REV. WILLIAM KELK, *Great Bridgewater-Street, Manchester.*

N.B. The Committee usually meet on the first Wednesday of each month.

3. The cordial thanks of the Conference are presented to the REV. WILLIAM KELK, for the zeal, judgment, and ability with which he has discharged his duty, as Secretary to the Chapel-Building Committee, during the past year.

4. The Ministers, Trustees, and others whom it may concern, are reminded that, according to Rule, "No case shall be sanctioned by the Committee, unless it shall come before them as having received the previous approbation of the Quarterly Meeting of the Circuit, and shall be recommended either by the Financial District-Meeting in September, or by the Annual District-Meeting in May; except that, if in any Circuit it be deemed probable that the erection, purchase, or enlargement of a new Chapel will be requisite after the Conference, and before the month of April, the plans, specifications, and estimates of which are not ready to be submitted to the Financial District-Meeting in September, the Chairman of that Meeting shall by letter state to the Building-Committee the opinion of the Meeting as to the general expediency of such erection; and in such cases the permission of the Chapel-Building Committee shall be a sufficient warrant for their procedure, that Committee paying special attention to the particular examination of such cases when the details shall come before them."

5. The Chapel-Building Committee are instructed, when their permission is given for the erection of any Chapel, to accompany it with an earnest request that the Trustees will subscribe annually, according to their means, from their Trust-Funds, in aid of the Chapel-Fund. (See also Q. XVI., A. 6, p. 649, of these Minutes.)

6. A copy of the *conditions* on which the Chapel-Building Committee shall agree to sanction the erection, purchase, or enlargement of any Chapel, shall be sent to the Trustees of the said Chapel for insertion in their Trust-Book; and another to the Superintendent of the Circuit, which he is to see entered in the Circuit-Book.

7. In addition to the regulation which requires that “a copy of the conditions on which the Chapel-Building Committee may agree to sanction the erection, purchase, or enlargement of any Chapel” shall be sent to the Chairman of the District, the Conference directs that a Schedule be sent every year by the Secretary to the Superintendents of Circuits, containing the particulars of the cases in each Circuit, in which permission has been granted during the year to build, purchase, or enlarge Chapels: *and the Schedule shall be returned to the Secretary immediately after the District-Meeting*, that he may be prepared to report to the General Chapel Committee, and to the Conference, how far the prescribed conditions have been observed or violated.

8. A Circular shall be sent by the Secretary of the Chapel-Building Committee to the Superintendents and Trustees, where the debts upon the Chapels reported to the Conference greatly exceed the amount allowed by the Building-Committee, requiring them to use every effort to reduce such debts, and to bring them, as speedily as possible, within the limits first proposed; and the Chairmen of Districts are required, at the ensuing May District-Meetings, to institute a most rigorous investigation into the state of such Trusts, and specially to report thereon at the ensuing Conference.

9. On receiving the Report of the Chapel-Building Committee for the past year, the Conference records its deep sense of the diligence and fidelity with which that Committee, and especially its Secretary, have discharged their several duties; and is gratified to find that a considerable improvement has taken place in the practice of the Connexion generally, as to the erection of Chapels. But the Report exhibits many instances of gross disregard of our Rules and Regulations; in some cases, by the violation of the conditions on which the Building-Committee had sanctioned the erection of new Chapels; and in others by the building or enlargement of Chapels without application having been made to the Committee. Much experience has fully convinced the Conference, that it is impossible to prevent embarrassments to Chapel-Trusts but by a strict adherence to these Rules; and it is ascertained that in consequence of those regulations having been disregarded, in some instances of recently erected Chapels, the Trusts are already involved in pecuniary difficulties. The Conference therefore deems it necessary to enact, and resolves most strictly to enforce, the following Cautionary Laws which refer to the erection, purchase, and enlargement of Chapels; and directs the attention of the Superintendents of Circuits, and the Chairmen of Districts, especially, to the following rules:—

(1.) That any applications to the Building-Committee to erect, purchase, or enlarge a Chapel, shall be made by furnishing specific answers to the questions contained in the “Form of Application,”

and, when desired, forwarding the plans, specifications, and estimates to the Committee; and that before the work shall be commenced, two-thirds of the amount proposed to be expended shall have been promised, and at least one half of the proposed cost be lodged in some respectable Bank. And it is also further required, that at least *one-half of the names of the gentlemen who are to act as Trustees* (their consent being previously obtained) *shall be forwarded with every such application to the Committee.*

(2.) That it shall be required of Superintendents, that when it is deemed necessary to make any deviation whatever in the plans sanctioned by the Chapel-Building Committee, so as to increase the cost of building or enlargement, such proposed departure from the original terms shall be fully and distinctly stated in a renewed application, and receive the sanction of the Committee before the proposed change shall be commenced. And the Superintendent and Trustees shall pledge themselves that the Final Debt shall not exceed the sum allowed by the Committee.

(3.) The Conference directs that when a Superintendent, on entering a Circuit, shall find the building of a Chapel commenced, or proposed to be commenced, without the consent of the Chapel-Building Committee, he shall be required to notify the same to the Committee, and to give them all the information in his power, respecting the plan, cost, subscriptions, and general arrangements.

(4.) That no Superintendent shall allow or sanction the opening of a new Chapel in his Circuit, or re-opening of one that has been enlarged, until the Building Committee have officially certified that the conditions on which such erection or enlargement was sanctioned have been fulfilled; or that they are satisfied that such arrangements have been entered into by the Trustees, as afford a reasonable probability of securing the Trust from pecuniary embarrassment.

(5.) The Chairmen of Districts are required to institute a full examination, in the May District-Meetings, into the state of every Chapel built during the year; to make an exact entry of the required particulars in a book provided for that purpose; and to send a copy of such particulars to the Secretary of the Building-Committee *on or before the 1st of June*, so that he may be able to present his Report to the ensuing Conference.

(6.) The Chairmen are also required to examine very minutely into all the cases specially remitted to them on account of the Trustees having failed, in former years, to observe the prescribed conditions; and to make a record of the particulars in the District "Record of Chapel Affairs." In order to render this regulation applicable to the cases of Chapels in which, in former years, the conditions entered into with the Committee have not been fulfilled, but which were specially remitted to the Chairmen, to be considered at the Annual District-Meeting, the Conference now directs that

the “**District Record**” of such cases shall be read over at the **Financial District-Meetings** in September, and the Chairmen shall then inform the Superintendents of the Circuits in which those Chapels are situated, that they will be expected to produce, at the ensuing May District-Meetings, a Schedule duly filled up, and showing the actual state of such Chapel-Trusts.—Schedules may be obtained of the Secretary of the Chapel-Building Committee.

10. The Conference directs, in the case of all Chapels to be erected in future, that, previously to their being opened, they shall be regularly registered as Places of Public Worship; and that the Certificate of such legal registration shall be publicly read at the Opening-service.

11. The Superintendents are required to examine, once a year, the Accounts of the Trustees of each Chapel within their respective Circuits; and the Chairmen of Districts shall institute particular inquiry, in the annual District-Meetings, as to the observance of this direction.

EMBARRASSMENT OF CHAPEL-TRUSTS.

Q. XIX. What does the Conference direct with regard to the **EMBARRASSMENT OF CHAPEL-TRUSTS**?

A. The Conference, being deeply convinced that the pecuniary embarrassment of many of our Chapel-Trusts is a serious hindrance to the prosperity of the work of God in our Connexion, urges upon the Trustees, especially in those Circuits where great embarrassments exist, the adoption of such plans of pecuniary relief as may best suit peculiar local circumstances.

ERECTION OF CHAPEL-ORGANS.

Q. XX. What does the Conference direct in reference to the introduction of **ORGANS** into our Chapels?

A. 1. It having been found, that some cases of grievous pecuniary embarrassment have arisen from, or have been aggravated by, the imprudent erection of Organs, the Conference directs that all Applications shall be accompanied by the proper Form of Application, furnishing an account of the state of the Chapel-Trust, in order to its being ascertained how far it may be prudent to sanction the proposed erection of an Organ.

2. That, where it is practicable, the sanction of the District-Meeting for the erection of an Organ shall be obtained previously to the case being presented to the Chapel-Building Committee; but where this is not practicable, the permission of the above-mentioned Committee shall be sufficient, except in any case where the District-Meeting shall *forbid* the erection of an Organ.

3. The Secretary of the Chapel-Building Committee is directed to prepare, and forward to the Chairmen of Districts, a copy of the conditions on which the said Committee have agreed to sanction the

erection of an Organ, in order that it may be ascertained, at the Meetings usually held in May, how far the conditions prescribed have been observed. The Secretary is directed to report the whole of these affairs to the Conference.

SALE OF CHAPELS.

Q. XXI. What does the Conference direct in reference to the SALE OF CHAPELS?

A. 1. The Conference directs that all applications for the consent of the Conference to the Sale of Chapels shall be first examined by the Chapel-Building Committee, and shall through that Committee be presented to the Conference.

2. In order to provide for a difficulty which experience has shown may be sometimes expected to occur, it is resolved that in case the sale of a Chapel should become indispensable in the interval between one Conference and another, the President for the time being shall be, and hereby is, authorised, on behalf of the Conference, to affix his signature to the document giving permission to sell; provided that each case be first certified to him, as approved, by the Chapel-Building Committee.

The following Schedules may be had of Mr. Mason:—

1. Application for Permission to **ERECT** a Chapel.
2. Ditto, to **ENLARGE** a Chapel.
3. Ditto, to **SELL** a Chapel.
4. Ditto to **ERECT** an Organ.
5. **RETURN** from Superintendents on Completing a Chapel.
6. Application for a **FINAL** or **ANNUAL GRANT**, for the **RELIEF** of a Chapel.

CHILDREN'S FUND.

Q. XXII. What are the Resolutions of the Conference respecting the CHILDREN'S FUND?

A. 1. The thanks of the Conference are hereby presented to the District-Treasurers of the Children's Fund throughout the kingdom, for their kind services during the year; and also to **JOHN LOFTHOUSE, Esq.**, and the **REV. SAMUEL D. WADDY**, the General Treasurers, and to the **REV. GEORGE B. MACDONALD**, the General Secretary, of the Fund.

2. **JOHN LOFTHOUSE, Esq.**, and the **REV. SAMUEL D. WADDY**, are re-appointed the General Treasurers, and the **REV. GEORGE B. MACDONALD** is re-appointed the General Secretary, for the ensuing year.

3. All letters on business relating to this Fund should be addressed to the **REV. SAMUEL D. WADDY**, *Wesley College, Sheffield*.

4. In conformity with the standing Rule, which makes provision towards the support of the children of our Ministers, from a certain rate of contribution in proportion to the exact numbers in Society, it is agreed that, for the *ensuing year*, *One Hundred*

members shall provide the allowance for *one* child. On this principle the following statement has been drawn up, which determines the number of Children's Allowances for which each District is to provide in the year 1851-52, and which must be divided by the September District-Meeting, according to rule, among the several Circuits included in it:—

Districts.	No. of Members.	No. of Children.
1 London	20,553	206
2 Bedford and Northampton	10,428	104
3 Kent	6,987	69
4 Norwich and Lynn	6,668	67
5 Oxford	6,630	66
6 Portsmouth	4,703	47
7 Guernsey	3,161	32
8 Devonport	7,105	71
9 Cornwall	20,283	203
10 Exeter	5,694	57
11 Bristol	8,603	86
12 Bath	7,484	75
13 First South Wales	3,291	33
14 Second South Wales	4,596	46
15 North Wales	7,607	76
16 Birmingham and Shrewsbury	17,208	172
17 Macclesfield	9,610	96
18 Liverpool	11,099	111
19 Manchester and Bolton	20,571	206
20 Halifax and Bradford	15,410	154
21 Leeds	15,801	158
22 Sheffield	9,168	91
23 Nottingham and Derby	12,393	124
24 Lincoln	13,483	135
25 Hull	15,108	151
26 York	12,092	121
27 Whitby and Darlington	7,319	73
28 Newcastle-upon-Tyne	8,687	87
29 Carlisle	3,674	37
30 Isle of Man	2,990	30
31 Edinburgh and Aberdeen	2,538	26
32 Shetland Isles	1,265	13

CONTINGENT FUND.

Q. XXIII. Who are appointed to act for the ensuing year as the General Treasurers, Secretaries, and Committee of the CONTINGENT FUND?

A. 1. ARCHIBALD VICKERS, Esq., and the REV. JOSEPH CUSWORTH, are re-appointed the *Treasurers*; and the REV. JOHN

STEPHENSON, and the REV. THOMAS DICKIN, are re-appointed the *Secretaries*.

The Committee are, the President and the Secretary of the Conference, the Ex-President; John Lofthouse, Esq., the Rev. Samuel D. Waddy, and the Rev. George B. Macdonald, as Treasurers and Secretary of the Children's Fund; the Revds. Dr. Alder, William Bacon, Corbett Cooke, John P. Haswell, Frederick J. Jobson, John Lomas, John Mason, James Methley, Dr. Newton, John Rigg, John Scott, Thomas H. Squance, William W. Stamp, Francis A. West, and Robert Young;—with *two* gentlemen, members of our Society, to be chosen by the Circuit-Stewards at the May Meeting of the Sheffield District, and one from each of the following Districts; viz., London, Birmingham and Shrewsbury, Macclesfield, Liverpool, Manchester and Bolton, Halifax and Bradford, Leeds, Nottingham and Derby, Lincoln, Hull, York, Whitby and Darlington, Newcastle-upon-Tyne.

2. The thanks of the Conference are presented to ARCHIBALD VICKERS, Esq., and the REV. JOSEPH CUSWORTH, the Treasurers, and to the REV. JOHN STEPHENSON and the REV. THOMAS DICKIN, the Secretaries, of the Contingent Fund, for their faithful services during the past year.

N.B. The Committee of Distribution, appointed to determine the *maximum* of Allowances to be made for Ordinaries to the several Districts, out of the Contingent Fund for 1852, after examining the probable income of that year, on the one hand, and the probable *comparative* necessities on the other hand, (taking into the account the increase or decrease of expense in the several Circuits of each District,) came to the following conclusions, which are now printed in conformity with the order of the Conference, for the information and direction of the Circuits, and of the September District-Meetings; viz.,—

	£.	s.	d.			
<i>Yearly Collection</i> of 1852	5,550	0	0			
<i>July or Home-Mission Collection</i> of 1852	3,258	0	0			
	8,808	0	0			
Reserved for the payment of Extraordinaries in 1852	500	0	0			
	8,308	0	0			
There remains as a maximum to be now pro- visionally granted for Ordinaries						
	Grants for Ordinaries.			Newly Married Ministers.		
Districts.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
1 London.....	373	0	0	377	0	0
2 Bedford and Northampton.....	120	0	0	233	0	0
3 Kent	64	0	0	219	0	0

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Devonport	7,105	71
Cornwall	20,283	203
Exeter.....	5,694	57
Bristol.....	8,603	86
Bath	7,484	75
First South Wales	3,291	33
Second South Wales	4,596	46
North Wales	7,607	76
Birmingham and Shrewsbury.....	17,208	172
Macclesfield.....	9,610	96
Liverpool	11,099	111
Manchester and Bolton	20,571	206
Halifax and Bradford.....	15,410	154
Leeds	15,801	158
Sheffield	9,168	91
Nottingham and Derby	12,393	124
Lincoln	13,483	135
Hull	15,108	151
York	12,092	121
Whitby and Darlington	7,319	73
Newcastle-upon-Tyne.....	8,687	87
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1. ARCHIBALD VICKERS, Esq., and the REV. JOSEPH NORTH, are re-appointed the *Treasurers*; and the REV. JOHN

on probation, shall be in general appointed to such Circuits only as, from their recent formation, the present smallness of the numbers in Society, or other very unusual and extraordinary circumstances, have the best claim on the kindness of the Connexion for the pecuniary relief which is always implied in the appointment to any Circuit of a single, rather than of a married, Minister.

II. That in order to distribute fairly and righteously the pecuniary relief connected with the appointment of single Preachers, and yet at the same time to meet the just and indispensable claims of junior married Ministers as they ought to be met, the following plan and scale be recommended, as that on which the Stationing Committee and Conference shall act for the present, and until the number of houses for the regular accommodation of married Ministers shall become more adequate to the wants of the Connexion.

1. No Circuit having *twelve hundred* members or upwards shall have an unmarried Minister appointed in it at all; but when an additional Minister is requested, if the Conference grant the request, a married Minister shall be appointed; and the Circuit shall make suitable and satisfactory provision for him by furnishing a house; or, if the Conference so agree, *in any special case*, the Circuit shall supply such a pecuniary equivalent for a house to the Minister so appointed as shall be satisfactory to the Conference; but after the expiration of one or two years, a suitable house must be provided by the Circuit, for the future residence of the additional Minister.

2. In the case of other Circuits, to which some relief in the matter of immediate appointment of married Ministers may be found necessary, the scale at present shall be as subjoined; viz.,—

(1.) Circuits having *one thousand* members and upwards, but less than *twelve hundred*, if they request it, and it be found necessary and expedient that they should have a *third* Minister, in addition to two previously appointed, may have a *junior* married Minister as that third Minister, on condition of their providing for him, at their own sole expense, either a small house or suitable lodgings.

(2.) In similar circumstances, Circuits having *eight hundred* Members and upwards, but less than *one thousand*, may, if they request an additional Preacher, and it be found necessary and expedient, have a junior married Minister, without *immediately* providing house or lodgings, on condition of their paying to such Minister for the year, in lieu of house-rent and all other allowances to married Ministers, the sum of £40, in addition to their ordinary allowances to a single Preacher.

(3.) Circuits having *six hundred* Members and upwards, but less than *eight hundred*, £35, on the same principles and conditions, excepting as to the reduction of the sum from £40 to £35.

Districts.	Grants for Ordinaries.			Newly Married Ministers.		
	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
4 Norwich and Lynn	110	0	0	345	0	0
5 Oxford	170	0	0	120	0	0
6 Portsmouth	96	0	0	144	0	0
7 Guernsey	22	0	0	80	0	0
8 Devonport	147	0	0	24	0	0
9 Cornwall	84	0	0	88	0	0
0 Exeter	163	0	0	235	0	0
1 Bristol	208	0	0	432	0	0
2 Bath	118	0	0	40	0	0
3 First South Wales	66	0	0	40	0	0
4 Second South Wales	268	0	0			
5 North Wales.....	244	0	0	105	0	0
6 Birmingham and Shrewsbury ..	208	0	0	200	0	0
7 Macclesfield.....	94	0	0	80	0	0
8 Liverpool.....	78	0	0	270	0	0
9 Manchester and Bolton	81	0	0	24	0	0
0 Halifax and Bradford.....	84	0	0	40	0	0
1 Leeds	41	0	0	64	0	0
2 Sheffield	40	0	0	120	0	0
3 Nottingham and Derby	183	0	0	184	0	0
4 Lincoln.....	38	0	0	80	0	0
5 Hull	36	0	0	35	0	0
6 York	10	0	0	48	0	0
7 Whitby and Darlington.....	57	0	0	120	0	0
8 Newcastle-upon-Tyne.....	60	0	0	195	0	0
9 Carlisle.....	181	0	0			
0 Isle of Man						
1 Edinburgh and Aberdeen	350	0	0	192	0	0
2 Shetland Isles	315	0	0	75	0	0
	£4,099	0	0	£4,209	0	0

Q. XXIV. What are the Standing Regulations which have been found necessary, respecting the just and fair Distribution among the Circuits of our Unmarried Ministers, with a view to the pecuniary relief of the Circuits so favoured; and also respecting Grants in aid of expenses incurred by the temporary Supply of Afflicted or Deceased Ministers, and Grants towards the building of Additional Houses for Ministers?

A. The Resolutions on these several subjects, which, on the recommendation of the Special Committee of Finance who met in February, 1846, were adopted by the Conference, are continued and confirmed. They are as follows; viz.,—

I. That in future the unmarried Preachers, especially those yet

include the expense incurred by the board of the Preachers sent as supplies; and the Conference also directs that the name of the Circuit so relieved shall be printed in the accounts of the Contingent Fund, under the head of "Miscellaneous Expenses."

VI. The Conference resolves that, in future, the Committee of Distribution of the Contingent Fund may be authorised to make Grants towards the expenses incurred in furnishing additional houses for the residence of our Ministers, when such Grants shall be applied for by the Quarterly Meetings of Circuits needing such assistance, in the following proportions; viz.,—to Circuits having *eight hundred* Members, but less than *one thousand*, £10 may be allowed towards the furnishing of an additional house; to Circuits having *six hundred* Members, but less than *eight hundred*, the sum of £20; to Circuits having *four hundred* Members, but less than *six hundred*, the sum of £30; and to Circuits having less than *four hundred* Members, the sum of £40. In all cases the applications of Circuits for Grants in aid of Furniture for additional houses shall be submitted to the Annual District-Meetings held in May, who are to judge of the real necessities of the cases to be brought under their consideration; and the Committee of Distribution shall not make any Grant in aid of Furniture without the previous recommendation of the District-Committee.

CIRCUIT-HOUSES.—Resolved, That the September and Annual District-Meetings be directed, when the Stewards are present, to make special inquiry respecting those Circuits which ought to provide additional houses for married Ministers.

The respectful thanks of the Conference are offered to Francis Farr, Esq., for having generously presented to the Connexion a house and garden, to be held for the advantage of the Wesleyan Society, at Minting, near Horncastle, Lincolnshire.

The thanks of the Conference are presented to Mr. Avison, of Upper-Mill, Saddleworth, for his generous gift of a house for the residence of a Minister.

Special Fund for the Relief of Ministers.—The cordial and respectful thanks of the Conference are presented to THOMAS FARMER, Esq., the Treasurer, and to the REV. FREDERICK J. JOBSON, the Secretary, of the Special Fund for the relief of Ministers deprived of their Circuit-supplies, for the very important and valuable services they have rendered in their respective offices during the last year.

The thanks of the Conference are also presented to G. R. CHAPPELL, Esq., JAMES FILDES, Esq., JOHN HARTLEY, Esq., THOMAS BAGNALL, Esq., and to all those liberal friends who have so generously and seasonably contributed to the Special Fund, as well as to the other Funds of the Connexion.

The following Ministers and Gentlemen are appointed a Com-

mittee, to consider the cases which need assistance, and to apportion aid from the Special Fund :—The President and the Secretary of the Conference, the Ex-President,

Rev. William Barton,
 — Dr. Bunting,
 — Frederick J. Jobson,
 — Peter M'Owan,
 — John Mason,
 — Dr. Newton,
 — Charles Prest,
 — John Scott,
 — George Taylor,
 — Samuel Tindall,
 — Robert Young ;
 Thomas Farmer, Esq.,
 James Heald, Esq., M.P.,

John Burton, Esq.,
 John Chubb, Esq.,
 Charles Cooper, Esq.,
 John Corderoy, Esq.,
 Thomas Crook, Esq.,
 Benjamin Gough, Esq.,
 P. Brames Hall, Esq.,
 John Hartley, Esq.,
 George Smith, Esq.,
 Samuel H. Smith, Esq.,
 John Vanner, Esq.,
 Ralph Wilson, Esq.

THOMAS FARMER, Esq., is re-appointed the Treasurer ; and the REV. FREDERICK J. JOBSON the Secretary.

Yearly and July Collections.—The REV. JOHN STEPHENSON, one of the Secretaries of the Contingent Fund Committee, has authority to correspond with Chairmen of Districts and Superintendents of Circuits, in order to obtain more full information concerning the necessities and claims of the poorer Circuits. Suitable Papers on these subjects, containing a selection of facts which such information may supply, shall be prepared and published previously to the times when the Yearly and July Collections shall be made.

WORN-OUT MINISTERS' AND MINISTERS' WIDOWS' AUXILIARY FUND.

Q. XXV. Who are the Committee of the WORN-OUT MINISTERS' AND MINISTERS' WIDOWS' AUXILIARY FUND,—appointed to superintend the general state and working of that Fund ; and also to consider and decide upon such peculiar cases of Supernumerary and Superannuated Ministers, and of Widows of Deceased Ministers, as may be specially recommended by the District-Meetings in the ensuing year, for some *occasional* relief from that Fund ?

A. The PRESIDENT and the SECRETARY of the Conference ; the EX-PRESIDENT ; and the

Rev. Dr. Bunting,
 — Thomas Harris,
 — John P. Haswell,
 — Thomas Jackson,
 — Samuel Jackson,
 — John Mason,
 — William Naylor,
 — Dr. Newton,
 — John Rigg,
 — Robert Young ;

Robert Abbott, Esq., Alford,
 Benjamin Agar, Esq., York,
 John Burton, Esq., Leeds,
 Thomas Crook, Esq., Liverpool,
 Thomas Farmer, Esq., London,
 James Heald, Esq., M.P., Stockport,
 Francis Riggall, Esq., Bristol,
 George Smith, Esq., Camborne,
 Samuel H. Smith, Esq., Sheffield,
 Archibald Vickers, Esq., Disley,
 Ralph Wilson, Esq., Newcastle,

N.B. Should any of the persons belonging to this Committee be unable to attend its Meeting on the Saturday previous to the assembling of the next Conference, early notice should be sent to the PRESIDENT, who has authority to appoint substitutes.

Q. XXVI. Who are appointed the TREASURERS and the SECRETARY of the Auxiliary Fund, for the ensuing year?

A. 1. GEORGE R. CHAPPELL, Esq., of Manchester, and the REV. JOHN SCOTT, of London, are requested to accept the office of Treasurers; and the REV. HENRY H. CHETTLE, that of Secretary; and they are *ex-officio* members of the Committee.

2. The cordial thanks of the Conference are presented to GEORGE R. CHAPPELL, Esq., and the REV. JOHN SCOTT, the General Treasurers, and to the REVDS. THOMAS EASTWOOD and HENRY H. CHETTLE, the Secretaries, for their valuable services during the past year; and also to the DISTRICT-TREASURERS and CIRCUIT-TREASURERS, to whose continued and faithful attention the success of the Fund is so largely indebted.

Q. XXVII. What are the regulations to be observed in collecting that part of the income of the Auxiliary Fund which is raised by DONATIONS IN THE CLASSES?

A. 1. Each Circuit is to be responsible to the General Treasurers for a yearly sum equal at the least, on a general average of all the Societies included within that Circuit, to Sixpence per Member, taking the numbers for the Circuit, in all cases, as returned to the preceding Conference, and published in its Minutes.

2. The Conference directs, that at the renewal of the Society Tickets during the September Visitation, every Minister shall fully explain to the Members of each Class the nature and reasonableness of those claims upon their justice and liberality, which were intended to be met by the establishment of this Fund. He shall also give to each member a short printed Address, explanatory of the same particulars. He shall then enter in the Class-Book the individual subscriptions, as in the case of the Yearly Collection at the March Visitation. At the *first* or *second* Class-Meetings in the month of October, the Leaders shall collect the Subscriptions thus promised, and shall pay the same to the Circuit-Treasurer, as hereinafter appointed.

3. In order to prevent a deficiency in the sum which an average of Sixpence per Member throughout England, Scotland, and Wales would raise, the Conference directs that the Ministers of every Circuit be enjoined, with the assistance of our lay-friends, to do their utmost to raise its full proportion in October next, by the Subscriptions in the Classes; and that, in any Circuit which shall then prove deficient, Public Collections shall be made to meet such deficiency, if not otherwise provided for.

4. In every Circuit, at the September Quarterly Meeting, a

tee, to consider the cases which need assistance, and to apportion
l from the Special Fund :—The President and the Secretary of
e Conference, the Ex-President,

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— Frederick J. Jobson,
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— John Scott,
— George Taylor,
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Archibald Vickers, Esq., Disley,
Ralph Wilson, Esq., Newcastle,

be made, *for this year*, from the payments to Supernumeraries and Widows, in such manner as may be arranged, after a careful consideration of the amounts due to the different claimants."

On receiving the above Report the Conference resolved,

That, *for this year*, the sum of ten shillings and sixpence be deducted from the payment now to be made to each Widow, and a further sum of the same amount from the payment to be made in February next.

That a deduction of one-sixth part be made from the amount due to Supernumeraries, half of that sum to be deducted from the payment now made, and half from the payment in February.

That a deduction of one-sixth part be made, at this Conference, from the sum due to Supernumeraries and Widows for furniture.

That the remaining deficiency be liquidated, by a united effort of Ministers, to be made at the next Conference, or during the following year.

The Conference has not adopted this Resolution without deep regret. It would willingly have spared the venerable men whose health and strength have been broken and worn out in ministerial service, and the Widows of deceased Ministers, any suffering arising from the unholy warfare which has been carried on against our Connexional principles, and the cruel endeavour to alienate support from this Fund. The subject, however, having received the long and painful attention of the Committee, the Conference is reluctantly compelled to adopt their recommendation.

While dealing thus with the present large deficiency, the Conference commends this Fund anew to the Christian generosity of the great body of our people. It is hoped that the Donations in the Classes, in October next, will be so liberal as, at least, to realise the required average; and, as this alone will not be sufficient to meet the claims upon the Fund, it is further hoped that the sympathy felt with our Supernumeraries and Widows by a very large portion both of our Societies and Congregations will induce numbers to support the Fund by Donations and Private Subscriptions, so that another year the very moderate sums to which these deserving claimants are so justly entitled, may be paid without any deduction.

The Conference recommends the state of this Fund to the particular consideration of the Committee which the President is appointed to convene to consider the general Finances of the Connexion.

N.B. 1. Applications for Annual Subscriptions to this Fund are to be made in the month of May, and the lists of Subscribers are to be sent to the REV. HENRY H. CHETTLE, *Virginia-Terrace, Dover-Road, London*, at latest by the 30th of June.

2. It is directed by the Conference that no application for special grants of money be entertained by the Committee, unless

Circuit-Treasurer for the Worn-out Ministers' and Widows' and shall be appointed, whose office it shall be,

(1.) To meet the Class-Leaders, not later than the last week of October, in order to examine the books in which the contributions of the Members shall have been entered; and to receive the sums which shall have been paid, in the early part of that month.

(2.) To see, or send to, for the same purpose, those Leaders who cannot attend the Meeting.

(3.) To confer with the Ministers and leading Friends of the Circuit, if it should happen in any case that the amount received from the Classes falls below the proportionate sum chargeable on the Circuit, on the best method of making up the deficiency.

(4.) To remit the Circuit contribution to the District-Treasurer of the Auxiliary Fund, as is the case in respect to the Children's Fund;—this remittance to be made in the month of November, *as late as possible*.

. At each Financial District-Meeting, held in September, a District-Treasurer shall be chosen, to whom all sums raised in the circuits of his District shall be paid, and he shall transmit such sums to the General Treasurers not later than the 13th of October. These remittances are to be sent to the REV. JOHN HART, *Normal Training Institution, Westminster*.

At the Annual District-Meetings held in May, when the Circuit-Stewards are in attendance, the District-Treasurers shall report the sums which they have received from the several Circuits;—when, if any Circuit has not raised its quota, the Ministers and Stewards of that Circuit shall be urged to make up the deficiency; and arrangements shall be made for the continued prosecution in the several Circuits of this truly Christian measure, which the Connexion, in the Centenary year, so unanimously recommended to the adoption of the Conference.

XXVIII. Have the DONATIONS IN THE CLASSES during the year amounted, on the average, to Sixpence per Member?

The Committee reported to the Conference a large deficiency and a decrease, *at present*, as compared with the last year, of £800. The Committee also reported that, after deliberating most carefully on the state of the Fund, they were grieved, with great pain, to adopt the following Resolution:—According to the estimate of income and expenditure for the year now presented, it appears to the Committee that there will probably be a deficiency on the Worn-out Ministers' Fund, leaving the balance now due to the Treasurers, of upwards of £100, if the payments to the Supernumeraries and Widows for the year are made *in full*. It is therefore

Resolved, That, to prevent any considerable addition to the debt of last year, we recommend that a deduction of £2,000

	£.	s.	d.
Late Mr. Thomas Haynes, of Deptford, £100 Consols, less Duty, William R. Willcocks, Esq., Executor	87	1	6

N.B. The cordial thanks of the Conference are presented to the following Friends of the METHODIST MINISTERS' ANNUITANT SOCIETY, (instituted for the benefit of our Worn-out Ministers, and of Widows of Ministers,) for their benevolent and very seasonable Donations to that institution:—

	£.	s.	d.
A Friend to aged Ministers, by the Rev. J. P. Haswell	10	0	0
A Friend, by the Rev. J. Earnshaw	5	0	0
H., by Rev. J. Scott	5	0	0
Mrs. Bruce, by the Rev. Joseph Entwisle.....	20	0	0
"A Looker-on," by the Rev. J. Loutit	20	0	0
The late Rev. J. Rawson, by the Rev. T. Kemshall.....	16	0	0

The thanks of the Conference are also presented to the Executors who have paid the following Legacies:—

	£.	s.	d.
The Executors of W. Farrar, Esq., of the Easingwold Circuit	19	19	0
The Executors of the Rev. W. Shelmerdine, by Dr. Bunting	100	0	0
The Executors of Mr. Williams, Dalkeith	155	6	0

. In order to show to our benevolent Friends the pressing necessities of the Methodist Ministers' Annuitant Society, it is deemed right to state, that the Members have been under the necessity of reducing the amount of Annuities in the first or lowest class, from £19. 19s. to £10. each, and the other classes in a just proportion, and at the same time of raising the annual Subscription to £6. 6s., a sum inconveniently large for many of our Ministers to pay.

Resolved,—That, regarding it as the duty, if possible, of every man, and therefore of every Christian Minister, to make some provision, in the time of health and strength, for the infirmities of age, and, when he may himself be removed hence, for the support of those who are now dependent upon him, and the Methodist Ministers' Annuitant Society affording an eligible means for making such provision, the Conference deems it expedient not only to recommend, but to require, that every Minister, admitted into full ministerial connection with us, shall avail himself of the privilege which has long existed in our body, and become a member of the Methodist Ministers' Annuitant Society.

WESLEYAN THEOLOGICAL INSTITUTION.

Q. XXIX. What are the Resolutions of the Conference with regard to the WESLEYAN THEOLOGICAL INSTITUTION?

A. 1. The Conference gratefully recognises, in the Reports which have been furnished, occasion for augmented satisfaction in the original object and practical results of the Institution, as well as occasion for renewed thankfulness to God; and trusts that these

r shall have been considered by the District-Meetings, and I have received their sanction.

. The Chairmen of Districts are required to send to the REV. HENRY H. CHETTLE such parts of the Minutes of the District-meetings as relate to this Fund *immediately after the May Meeting of their Districts*; in order that he may have sufficient time to arrange the cases specially recommended to the consideration of the Committee, and to prepare the Annual General Statement.

The cordial thanks of the Conference are specially presented to the following friends, for their generous contributions of £5, upwards, to the Auxiliary Fund; viz.,—

ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTIONS.			
	£.	s.	d.
Sam Atherton, Esq., Q.C., London	5	5	0
and Mrs. Bennett, London	5	5	0
Moulton, Lincoln	5	0	0
Parker, Warwick-Hall	5	0	0
Miss Riggall, Esq., Bristol	20	0	0
Rothwell, Bolton	10	10	0
Sutcliffe, Esq., Sowerby-Bridge	5	5	0
J. F. Sutcliffe, ditto	5	5	0
Wright, Esq., Birmingham.....	5	0	0

DONATIONS.			
	£.	s.	d.
Hexham, an Expression of Esteem for Wesleyan Ministers, by the Rev. J. Whitehead	5	0	0
W. G. Cott, Bath	30	0	0
W. Morris, Manchester	5	5	0
W. King, Esq., Oxford	5	0	0
and, by Rev. J. Earnshaw, Jersey (French).....	5	0	0
W. Clarkson Kay, Esq., Bury	5	0	0
W. Simpson, Leeds, a Thank-Offering for innumerable Mercies, by the Rev. Edward Walker	10	0	0
and, in the Alston Circuit, a Thank-Offering, by the Rev. W. Shaw	10	0	0
W. Peter Tindall, jun., London	10	0	0
W. W. Shippery, Esq., Worthing	10	0	0
W. Bird of the Proceeds of a Bazaar, by Ladies and Friends in the Southwark Circuit	65	3	6
by the Rev. John Scott	10	0	0
and to aged Ministers, by the Rev. John P. Haswell	20	0	0
W. Bartley, Esq., Wolverhampton, by the Rev. Dr. Beecham... ..	20	0	0
W. Fildes, Esq., Manchester, by the Rev. Dr. Bunting	5	0	0
W. Bagnall, Esq., West-Bromwich, by the Rev. Dr. Hannah... ..	25	0	0
and, Islington, Birmingham West, by the Rev. Edward Brice	5	0	0
W. Friends, Bristol, by the Rev. Joseph Wood	5	0	0

and the thanks of the Conference are also presented to the donors who have paid the following Legacies:—

	£.	s.	d.
Executors of the late Rev. William Shelmerdine, by Dr. Bunting	50	0	0
W. Capt. Kneale Regaby, Ramsay and Peel Circuit, Isle of Man	10	0	0
W. Mrs. Hannah Shepherd, of Pontefract, less Duty, Thomas and William Moxon, Esqrs., Executors.....	90	0	0
W. Part of Residue	410	0	0

7. The Conference learns with satisfaction that the Quarterly Meetings of several Circuits, and several bodies of Trustees, have again forwarded contributions in support of the Institution; and trusts that their example may be generally followed.

8. Great advantage having been derived from the adoption of the plan which directed the Committee for the Special Examination of all Candidates for our Ministry to sit *before*, instead of *after*, each Annual Session of the Conference, it is further directed that all Candidates recommended by the respective District-Meetings in May, shall be summoned to London at a time to be fixed by the President, and subjected to an additional examination by a Committee, consisting of the President and the Secretary of the Conference, the Tutors and House-Governors of both Branches of the Institution, the Missionary Secretaries, and such other Ministers as may be selected for that purpose from their own number by the next Annual Meeting of the London District.—The REV. JOHN RATTENBURY and the REV. THOMAS PENNINGTON are appointed the Secretaries of this Committee.

9. The Ministers are directed to collect the Donations and Subscriptions which may have been promised in their respective Circuits, and as many others as they may be able to procure, in aid of the Funds of the Theological Institution, during the first and second weeks of the month of January, 1852; and to remit them to the REV. JOHN FARRAR, at the *Wesleyan Theological Institution, Richmond, Surrey*, not later than the end of January.

Q. XXX. Who are the GENERAL COMMITTEE for the ensuing year?

A. The President and the Secretary of the Conference; the General Treasurers and Secretary; the President of the Institution; the Tutors and House-Governors of both Branches; the Local Treasurers and Secretaries; the Rev. John Scott, as one of the Treasurers of the Wesleyan Missionary Society; and the General Secretaries of that Society.—The Rev. John Mason, the Rev. Frederick J. Jobson, and Messrs. T. Crook and P. Kruse, are requested to act as Auditors; and shall, as such, be Members of the General Committee.

Q. XXXI. Who are the LOCAL COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT for the *Southern* Branch of the Institution?

A. The President of the Conference; the President of the Institution; James Heald, Esq., one of the General Treasurers; Thomas Farmer, and P. Brames Hall, Esqrs., the Local Treasurers; the Local Secretary; the Richmond Tutors and House-Governor; the Rev. John Scott, one of the General Treasurers of the Wesleyan Missionary Society; the Secretaries of that Society; the Book-Steward and Editors; and the following Ministers and Gentlemen:—

Rev. William Barton,
 Rev. John Brown, 1st,
 Rev. William M. Bunting,
 John M. Camplin, Esq.,
 Rev. Henry H. Chettle,
 John Chubb, Esq.,
 Christopher Gabriel, Esq.,
 Rev. William D. Goy,
 Rev. John Hall,
 James Hoby, Esq.,
 James Hunter, Esq.,
 John Hunter, Esq.,
 Thomas Knight, Esq.,
 Mr. Peter Kruse,
 Rev. John C. Leppington,

Rev. Peter M'Owan,
 Mr. James Nash, Lambeth,
 Rev. William Naylor,
 Rev. John Nelson, 1st,
 William W. Pocock, Esq.,
 Rev. Charles Prest,
 Rev. John Rattenbury,
 Richard M. Reece, Esq.,
 Rev. John Rigg,
 Rev. Joseph Stinson,
 John Vanner, Esq.,
 Greaves Walker, Esq.,
 Rev. Henry W. Williams,
 Rev. Robert Young.

Q. XXXII. Who are the LOCAL COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT for the *Northern* Branch of the Institution?

A. The President of the Conference; the President of the Institution; James Heald, Esq., one of the General Treasurers; John Burton, and John D. Burton, Esqrs., the Local Treasurers; the Local Secretary; the Didsbury Tutors and House-Governor; and the following Ministers and Gentlemen:—

T. Allen, Esq., Macclesfield,
 Rev. Alfred Barrett, Manchester,
 Richard Bealey, Esq., Radcliffe,
 H. Bowman, Esq., Manchester,
 T. P. Bunting, Esq., ditto,
 Rev. William Burt, Bolton,
 W. Cheesborough, Esq., Bradford,
 C. Cooper, Esq., Manchester,
 T. Crook, Esq., Liverpool,
 J. Fernley, Esq., Manchester,
 Rev. Charles Haydon, ditto,
 Rev. I. Holgate, ditto,
 J. R. Kay, Esq., Bury,
 Rev. William Kelk, Manchester,
 G. Knowles, Esq., Bolton,
 Rev. John Lomas, Manchester,

John Lomas, Esq., Manchester,
 Rev. G. Marsden, Glossop,
 G. Marsden, Esq., Manchester,
 John Mayson, Esq., ditto,
 Rev. Dr. Newton, Liverpool,
 Rev. Richard Ray, Manchester,
 S. H. Smith, Esq., Sheffield,
 G. Turner, Esq., M.D., Stockport,
 A. Vickers, Esq., Disley,
 Rev. S. D. Waddy, Sheffield,
 Rev. F. A. West, Liverpool,
 J. P. Brown Westhead, Esq., M.P.,
 Manchester,
 E. Westhead, Esq., ditto,
 Peter Wood, Esq., M.D., ditto.

EDUCATION.

Q. XXXIII. What are the Resolutions of the Conference on the subject of WESLEYAN EDUCATION?

A. 1. The Conference adopts the following Resolutions of the Special Meeting of the Committee of Education, held in Newcastle-upon-Tyne, on Monday, July 28th, 1851:—

“I. That this Meeting receives with great satisfaction and thankfulness the Minutes and proceedings of the Acting Committee for the past year, from which it appears that, notwithstanding some temporary and local discouragements, the important work of promoting the scriptural education of the children of the poorer classes has been prosecuted with an amount of success which, under

all the circumstances, is matter of thankfulness to Almighty God; and more especially is gratified to learn that the Normal Institution at Westminster has been partially opened, with encouraging prospects, for the instruction of the children in that populous and degraded neighbourhood; and, in a review of the past, recommends again to the Connexion at large the sustained and vigorous prosecution of this truly Christian and patriotic work.

“II. That this Meeting learns with satisfaction the amount of subscriptions promised towards the Special Fund of £10,000, agreed to be formed at the meeting held at Manchester in the month of November last, and also of the proportion of that amount which had been actually received by the Treasurers; but, finding that the whole sum of £10,000 has not yet been subscribed, earnestly requests that the Acting Committee will devote its unremitting attention to this subject, and also respectfully and urgently requests the Conference to *appoint that a meeting shall be held in each Circuit where this has not yet been done, at the earliest convenient opportunity*, for the purpose of raising the remainder of the above sum, which is now shown to be entirely required for the completion of the Buildings and the establishment of the Normal Institution. This Meeting cannot but hope that such Meetings, if attended by a deputation from London, will prove very useful, not only in raising the needful pecuniary supplies, but in diffusing information in reference to the general state and prospects of the Educational work, and in promoting the establishment of Week-day Schools in the various Circuits where at present none exist.

“III. That, considering the growing importance and extent of the business of the Education Committee, it is highly necessary that the services of a Minister should be entirely devoted to the work of the Secretaryship, and that this arrangement cannot now be longer deferred without serious inconvenience and injury, this Meeting concurs fully in the Resolution of the Acting Committee, that the Conference be requested to appoint a Minister whose exclusive duty it shall be to attend to the correspondence and to the general business of the Committee; and that the REV. MICHAEL C. TAYLOR be thus appointed for the ensuing year.”

2. The Committee in London having, in compliance with the direction of the last Conference, considered the subject of the appointment of a Principal to the new Normal Institution at Westminster, and having nominated to that office the REV. JOHN SCOTT, and this nomination having been confirmed and remitted to the Conference by the Committee of Education at its Meeting in Newcastle, on the 28th of July, 1851, the Conference adopts the unanimous and earnest recommendation of these Committees, and hereby appoints the REV. JOHN SCOTT to be such Principal; this appointment being subject to the same Regulations as those of

Rev. William Barton,
 Rev. John Brown, 1st,
 Rev. William M. Bunting,
 John M. Camplin, Esq.,
 Rev. Henry H. Chettle,
 John Chubb, Esq.,
 Christopher Gabriel, Esq.,
 Rev. William D. Goy,
 Rev. John Hall,
 James Hobby, Esq.,
 James Hunter, Esq.,
 John Hunter, Esq.,
 Thomas Knight, Esq.,
 Peter Kruse,
 Rev. John C. Leppington,

Rev. Peter M'Owan,
 Mr. James Nash, Lambeth,
 Rev. William Naylor,
 Rev. John Nelson, 1st,
 William W. Pocock, Esq.,
 Rev. Charles Prest,
 Rev. John Rattenbury,
 Richard M. Reece, Esq.,
 Rev. John Rigg,
 Rev. Joseph Stinson,
 John Vanner, Esq.,
 Greaves Walker, Esq.,
 Rev. Henry W. Williams,
 Rev. Robert Young.

Q. XXXII. Who are the LOCAL COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT for the *Northern* Branch of the Institution?

A. The President of the Conference; the President of the Institution; James Heald, Esq., one of the General Treasurers; John Burton, and John D. Burton, Esqrs., the Local Treasurers; the Local Secretary; the Didsbury Tutors and House-keeper; and the following Ministers and Gentlemen:—

Allen, Esq., Macclesfield,
 Alfred Barrett, Manchester,
 Ward Bealey, Esq., Radcliffe,
 Bowman, Esq., Manchester,
 Bunting, Esq., ditto,
 William Burt, Bolton,
 Cheesborough, Esq., Bradford,
 Cooper, Esq., Manchester,
 Cook, Esq., Liverpool,
 Crnley, Esq., Manchester,
 Charles Haydon, ditto,
 I. Holgate, ditto,
 Kay, Esq., Bury,
 William Kelk, Manchester,
 Howles, Esq., Bolton,
 John Lomas, Manchester,

John Lomas, Esq., Manchester,
 Rev. G. Marsden, Glossop,
 G. Marsden, Esq., Manchester,
 John Mayson, Esq., ditto,
 Rev. Dr. Newton, Liverpool,
 Rev. Richard Ray, Manchester,
 S. H. Smith, Esq., Sheffield,
 G. Turner, Esq., M.D., Stockport,
 A. Vickers, Esq., Disley,
 Rev. S. D. Waddy, Sheffield,
 Rev. F. A. West, Liverpool,
 J. P. Brown Westhead, Esq., M.P.,
 Manchester,
 E. Westhead, Esq., ditto,
 Peter Wood, Esq., M.D., ditto.

EDUCATION.

XXXIII. What are the Resolutions of the Conference on the subject of WESLEYAN EDUCATION?

1. The Conference adopts the following Resolutions of the Local Meeting of the Committee of Education, held in Newcastle-Tyne, on Monday, July 28th, 1851:—

That this Meeting receives with great satisfaction and thankfulness the Minutes and proceedings of the Acting Committee for the past year, from which it appears that, notwithstanding temporary and local discouragements, the important work of extending the scriptural education of the children of the poorer has been prosecuted with an amount of success which, under

The Right Hon. the Lord Mayor of
York,
Mr. Abbott, Alford,
Thomas Barker, Esq., North Shields,
S. Bennett, Esq., Bickering's-Park,
T. P. Bunting, Esq., Manchester,
J. Burton, Esq., Leeds,
J. D. Burton, Esq., Manchester,
T. Crook, Esq., Liverpool,
J. B. Falconar, Esq., Newcastle-upon-
Tyne.
J. Farnworth, Esq., Liverpool,
Thomas Garland, Esq., Redruth,
Henry Holland, Esq., Bristol,
Thomas Holmes, Esq., Hull,
J. Irving, Esq., Bristol,

Mr. Clarkson Kay, Bury,
J. Robinson Kay, Esq., ditto,
John Mayson, Esq., Manchester,
F. Parnell, Esq., ditto,
George Sercombe, Esq., Exeter,
William Shipperry, Esq., Worthing,
George Smith, Esq., F.A.S., Camborne,
S. H. Smith, Esq., Sheffield,
Thomas Sutcliffe, Esq., Willow-Hall,
Archibald Vickers, Esq., Disley,
Thomas Wade, Esq., Selby,
T. Walker, Esq., Cheltenham,
W. Walker, Esq., Bradford,
Ralph Wilson, Esq., Newcastle-upon-
Tyne,
Peter Wood, Esq., M.D., Manchester.

6. The state of Education shall be considered at each annual District-Meeting, as directed by the Minutes of 1841; when the Circuit-Schedules on this subject shall be carefully examined, and transmitted, with one General District-Schedule, to the Secretaries, not later than the 15th day of June. (See Minutes, 1841, Vol. IX., p. 246.)

7. The Conference, being aware of the inconvenience and distress, or even positive failure, which would probably result in cases where any other *item* of importance, beyond the *current expenses* of the School, might be required to be annually provided for, recommends to all local Committees to aim, in the commencement of their respective undertakings, at having their School Premises entirely free from debt; and, with a view to the securing of this object,—

The Conference directs the parties contemplating the erection of premises (or any expensive alteration or enlargement of premises already erected) for the establishment of *new* Schools, to communicate,—*First*, With the Education Committee, for the purpose of receiving suitable counsel as to the general eligibility of their projected undertaking, and the adaptation of the premises to the system of instruction designed to be adopted; and, *Secondly*, With the Chapel-Building Committee, for the purpose of receiving such advice and assistance, in regard to the proposed building-plans and estimates, as the experience of that Committee may enable them to give.

8. The following Ministers and Friends are particularly invited to attend a Special Meeting of the above-named Education Committee, which will be held in Sheffield, at nine o'clock, A.M., on Monday, July 26th, 1852; viz.,—

Rev. William Allen, 1st,
— Hugh Beech,
— Corbett Cooke,
— Joseph Cusworth,

Rev. Henry Davies,
— Thomas Eastwood,
— Joseph Hargreaves,
— Thomas Harris,

Rev. John Hobson,
 — Timothy C. Ingle,
 — George Jackson,
 — Robert Jackson,
 — Ralph R. Keeling,
 — William Lord,
 — Robert M. MacBrair,
 — George Marsden,
 — George Scott, 1st,
 — William Smith, 1st,
 — Samuel Tindall,
 — Edward Walker,
 Benjamin Agar, Esq., York,
 Mr. Alcard, Sheffield,
 Richard Bealey, Esq., Bury,
 Mr. Beet, Sheffield,
 Mr. W. J. Beet, ditto,
 T. Branson, Esq., ditto,
 Joshua Burton, Esq., Leeds,
 J. Carne, Esq., Penzance,
 John Carr, Esq., Brighton,
 James Chadwick, Esq., York,
 Mr. George Chambers, Sheffield,
 Mr. T. B. Cockayne, ditto,
 Mr. Francis Colley, ditto,
 Thomas Cope, Esq., Barnsley,
 Mr. Christopher Dove, Leeds,
 W. Dyson, Esq., Howden,
 Mr. Joshua Eyre, Sheffield,
 Mr. Ellis Eyre, ditto,
 Mr. W. Fawcett, ditto,

John Fernley, Esq., Manchester,
 George Fishwick, Esq., Garstang,
 J. Hodgson, Esq., Rotherham,
 W. B. Holdsworth, Esq., Leeds,
 T. B. Holy, Esq., Sheffield,
 Mr. John Jones, ditto,
 Edward Joy, Esq., Leeds,
 Mr. Joseph Leather, Liverpool,
 J. Lofthouse, Esq., Sheffield,
 Mr. Henry Longden, ditto,
 J. Marshall, Esq., Stockport,
 George Morley, Esq., Leeds,
 Mr. Joseph Moss, Sheffield,
 Mr. Thomas Newton, ditto,
 Mr. Nightingale, Rotherham,
 Mr. Pullen, ditto,
 H. Richardson, Esq., Barnsley,
 Mr. Alderman Richardson, Leeds,
 Richard Ripley, Esq., ditto,
 William Skinner, Esq., Stockton,
 William Smith, Esq., Leeds,
 George Smith, Esq., ditto,
 Mr. Joseph Smith, Sheffield,
 Mr. J. Sugden, Keighley,
 William Turner, Esq., Derby,
 George Turner, Esq., M.D., Stockport,
 John Twibell, Esq., Barnsley,
 Archibald Vickers, Esq., Disley,
 Richard Walker, Esq., Stockton,
 T. Wheatley, Esq., Rotherham,
 W. Willmer, Esq., Sheffield.

N.B. The Education Committee is empowered to invite to this Meeting any other Friends who take part in the support and extension of our Day-School system.

CATECHUMEN CLASSES, AND PASTORAL CARE OF THE YOUNG.

Q. XXXIV. What does the Conference determine on the subject of CATECHUMEN CLASSES, and PASTORAL CARE OF THE YOUNG?

A. 1. The Conference receives with satisfaction the Report of the Committee.

2. The following Ministers are appointed a Committee for the general direction of this effort:—

The President of the Conference,
 The Secretary of the Conference,
 Rev. Samuel Jackson, *Convener*,
 Joseph Richardson, Esq., *Treasurer*,
 Rev. Robert Jackson, *Secretary*,
 — Alfred Barrett,
 — John Bowers,
 — James D. Brocklehurst,

Rev. Hugh Carter,
 — William Cattle,
 — Samuel W. Christophers,
 — Jonathan Crowther,
 — Nehemiah Curnock,
 — Henry Davies,
 — John Dowty,
 — John Drake,

Rev. John D. Geden,
 — Thomas Hardy,
 — Joseph Hargreaves,
 — William M. Harvard, M.A.,
 — Robert Huston,
 — William Jackson, 2d,
 — Frederick J. Jobson,
 — John Lambert,
 — Robert Leake,
 — James Methley,
 — Roger Moore,

Rev. Theophilus Pugh,
 — William H. Rule,
 — James Sugden,
 — Ebenezer Talbot,
 — William L. Thornton, M.A.,
 — Samuel Tindall,
 — James J. Topham,
 — Thomas Vasey,
 — Francis A. West,
 — Charles Westlake,
 — J. Gilchrist Wilson.

N.B. (1.) Those friends who have inquiries to make or suggestions to offer are directed to communicate with the REV. SAMUEL JACKSON.

(2.) MR. JACKSON has authority to receive subscriptions towards the support of a Catechist in France.

3. The Book-Committee are instructed to prepare a List of Select Scriptural Lessons, two for each week, properly dated, for the use of Schools, Families, and Catechumen Classes, during the year 1852. The List shall be printed in such a manner as to form a small neat book; and provision be made at the commencement for the insertion of the names of the Catechumen, Circuit, and Minister.

RELIGIOUS OBSERVANCE OF THE SABBATH.

Q. XXXV. What Resolutions does the Conference adopt in reference to the RELIGIOUS OBSERVANCE OF THE SABBATH?

A. 1. The Conference has heard with satisfaction the Report of the proceedings of the Sabbath Committee during the year; and directs that the Editors shall make such selections from this document as they may deem proper for publication in the "Wesleyan Magazine."

2. The Conference, while rejoicing in the efforts made during the last year, by our own and other religious communities, especially in reference to the Post-Office arrangements, views with deep sorrow and great alarm the growing desecration of the Lord's Day, especially by means of *Sunday excursions by Railway*; it feels itself called upon to urge upon the attention of our Societies and Congregations the claims of the Lord's Day on the universal observance of Christian people; and earnestly exhorts them to cultivate a solemn and practical regard to that invaluable institution, and to employ every means in their power to aid in the efforts which may be made by others to guard and promote its religious observance, and to diminish the facilities to the infringement of its sanctity.

3. The thanks of the Conference are presented to the REV. ROBERT NEWSTEAD and to the REV. GEORGE SCOTT, 1st, the Secretaries of the Sabbath Committee, for their services during the

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 — Timothy C. Ingle,
 — George Jackson,
 — Robert Jackson,
 — Ralph R. Keeling,
 — William Lord,
 — Robert M. MacBrair,
 — George Marsden,
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 — William Smith, 1st,
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 George Chambers, Sheffield,
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 extension of our Day-School system.

CATECHUMEN CLASSES, AND PASTORAL CARE OF THE YOUNG.

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 subject of CATECHUMEN CLASSES, and PASTORAL CARE OF THE
 YOUNG?

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 the Committee.

The following Ministers are appointed a Committee for the
 general direction of this effort:—

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 — John Drake,

generally, that we retain an unshaken conviction that the established economy of Methodism is strictly in accordance with the principles of the New Testament, and provides equally for the purity, the godly quiet, and the increase, of the Societies committed to our charge. We agree, therefore, to affirm anew the following **DECLARATORY RESOLUTIONS**, which were adopted at the last Conference:—

“(I.) The Conference regards itself as being bound, by the principles set forth in the New Testament, and by the sacred trust transmitted to it by Mr. Wesley and his coadjutors, to maintain the **PASTORAL OFFICE** in unimpaired integrity; and, consequently, bound to uphold the **SPIRITUAL AUTHORITY** which is appropriate to that office, and **NECESSARY** to the execution of the duties which Christ has made imperative on all those who sustain it.

“(II.) The Conference solemnly resolves to stand by the **CONNEXIONAL PRINCIPLE**, adopted by Mr. Wesley, and hitherto maintained by his successors, as being that in which—next to the blessing and grace of the Holy Spirit—the great strength of Wesleyan Methodism lies, for the conservation of its internal purity and order, and for the accomplishment of the great spiritual objects for which the Providence of God first brought it into existence, and has hitherto sustained it.

“(III.) The Conference farther declares its unalterable resolution to uphold the authority hitherto vested in its District-Committees, as intermediate and subordinate Courts of Inquiry and Appeal, both for the Ministers and for the People; whilst, to all parties duly respecting that authority, it still leaves unfettered the right of an ultimate appeal to the Conference.” (See Minutes, 1850, pp. 468, 469.)

We also agree to re-affirm those sentiments respecting the character and tendencies of the existing agitation, which the last Conference adopted from the Minutes of 1835, and which additional experience has more fully proved to be equally just and seasonable; viz.,—

“It is therefore hereby declared to be the unanimous judgment of the Conference, That any person who, instead of *peaceably retiring* from our Connexion, if he decidedly disapprove of our system either of doctrine or discipline, and cannot conscientiously even *acquiesce* in them, endeavours to retain and to employ his position among us for the purposes of opposition and strife,—or who continues after due admonition, to be a member of any confederacy formed for the object of systematic agitation,—is guilty of a flagrant transgression of that *morality of the New Testament*, the observance of which was a principal condition of

ear; and the **REV. ROBERT NEWSTEAD** and the **REV. PETER**
['OWAN are appointed to that office for the next year.

4. The following Ministers shall constitute the Committee for
 the ensuing year:—

the President of the Conference,
 the Secretary of the Conference,
 the Secretaries of the Committee,
 Rev. Dr. Alder,
 — Jonathan Crowther,
 — Thomas Jackson,

Rev. Robert M. MacBrair, M.A.,
 — Dr. Newton,
 — William Naylor,
 — William L. Thornton, M.A.,
 — Francis A. West.

REPLY TO MEMORIALS AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS.

Q. XXXVI. What are the conclusions of the Conference
 respecting the **MEMORIALS** and other **COMMUNICATIONS** which
 have been addressed to it, on subjects affecting the **Connexion**
 generally?

A. I. (1.) Having attentively examined and considered these
 documents, the Conference deems it right to state, that most of
 the Memorials which have been transmitted by private individuals
 are irregular and inadmissible, as containing proposals for organic
 changes; and also that, having been previously printed, they may
 be considered as resulting from a combination of unfriendly parties,
 rather than from the spontaneous convictions and desires of the
 persons who have signed them.

(2.) Of those also which have been received from collective
 bodies, a few are liable to the objection of irregularity; either as
 proceeding from Meetings not duly constituted, or as embracing
 subjects, the discussion of which, even at Meetings duly consti-
 tuted, is at variance with the essential Rules and Usages of our
 connexion.

(3.) Of the remaining and larger number, some express a cordial
 attachment to the existing system of Methodism, a kind and
 Christian sympathy with the Conference, and an encouraging
 persuasion that it will be guided to right determinations; others
 respectfully request a re-consideration of certain regulations in our
 system of discipline, without specifying particulars; and a third
 class contain specific suggestions in relation to desired changes. It
 is however, the general desire of the Memorialists to maintain
 inviolate those leading and fundamental principles of our economy
 which the Conference is bound by repeated and solemn pledges.

I. In reference to these Memorials, and to the changes con-
 templated in some of them, we feel it due to the friends of
 Methodism, and to the large majority of Circuits from which no
 communications have been received, and whose members, we
 believe, are seeking only “to keep the unity of the Spirit in the
 bond of peace,” to assure them, as well as our beloved people

Members, to the scriptural ‘rule’ of those who are ‘over them in the Lord,’—these are *standing enactments* of the Gospel, binding on all Christian communities, and, therefore, binding on the Methodist Societies without exception.” (See Minutes, Vol. VII., p. 583.)

III. It affords to the Conference unfeigned satisfaction to ascertain that most of the Memorialists, so far from impugning these important and fundamental principles, evince an ardent desire and determination to maintain them inviolate :—and farther, that in the Declaration which was adopted by a large number of lay friends, recently assembled in Manchester, on the invitation of the President, and which has been forwarded to the Conference with upwards of five hundred signatures, received from nearly all parts of the kingdom, there is cheering evidence of the same adherence to those great principles, and resolution to uphold them, as well as of steady attachment to our established economy ; —and also that multitudes of our enlightened and judicious people from whom no communications have been received, and who, it is presumed, desire no change, are characterised by their peaceable spirit, and only seek protection from strife and annoyance in the quiet enjoyment of their religious privileges. In resolving, therefore, to adhere to the great scriptural principles held by our forefathers, and the maintenance of which has exerted so beneficial an influence on the Wesleyan community at large, the Conference feels assured of the hearty concurrence and support of the great body of our intelligent and godly people.

IV. But as it seems to be an opinion expressed in several of the documents above referred to, that, while we steadily reiterate our determination to abide in the “old paths,” it may possibly be found practicable to effect a few beneficial changes, especially in the administration of some parts of our discipline ; and yet as it is impracticable for the Conference, in addition to the ordinary and urgent business of its present session, to find opportunity to investigate such a subject with the thoughtful and patient deliberation which its importance demands ; a Committee of its own body is hereby appointed, whose duty it shall be carefully to examine the principal suggestions contained in the Memorials and other communications, as well as those put forth in the Declaration of the Manchester Meeting, and to report on the same to the next Conference. This Resolution is adopted with the earnest hope and prayer that the measure may be received in the same spirit of cordial affection, and of strong desire for Christian peace and unity, as that by which it has been dictated.

The following Ministers shall compose the said Committee :—The President and the Secretary of the Conference ; the following Ex-Presidents, viz.,—the Revds. Dr. Beecham, Dr. Bunting,

his admission into our Society, and must be considered to have justly forfeited his claim to the privileges of our religious fellowship. In applying to particular cases this righteous general rule, the Conference exhorts all the Superintendents to exercise, in connexion with a holy firmness, the moderation and mercy of the Gospel; bearing long, and dealing tenderly, though faithfully, with the weak, the ill-informed, and the misled: while they do not shrink from the effectual execution of necessary Christian discipline on those who by overt acts of hostility and disturbance identify themselves as the leaders, or open partisans, of disaffection and faction. The sound and satisfied majority of our Societies—majority happily so immense as to render all comparative calculations unnecessary—have a just claim on us for protection in the quiet enjoyment of their religious privileges; a claim which some of them have most forcibly urged, and which it is our bounden duty to meet with a discreet but decisive enforcement of our discipline on those whom milder methods shall fail to reclaim from their course of disturbance and mischief.” (See Minutes, Vol. I., pp. 585, 586; and Minutes, 1850, pp. 472, 473.)

We farther agree to reprint certain statements put forth by the Conference of 1835, in one of its official documents, and embodying these scriptural directions by which both our own conduct, and that of our Societies, should be regulated; and we resolve, in the name of the Lord, not to depart from them.

In the preceding articles of this Document, reference has been repeatedly made to the *Law of God contained in the Holy Scriptures*, as furnishing, in the trial of members, that *primary* standard of judgment, by which the innocence or culpability of any particular facts adduced in evidence is ever to be determined. This principle, though obvious, and scarcely needing argument—defence, the Conference have advisedly made prominent in their statement of their views. Any conduct in a man professing Christianity, which can be shown to be decidedly condemned by the precepts and principles of the New Testament, is surely sufficient to justify, if persisted in, the application of a suitable ecclesiastical censure, or other penalty, to such an individual, even though it may not have been previously found necessary to make a distinct specific Rule of our Society on that exact mode and form of iniquity. The New-Testament *Law of Purity*, in reference to the Pastors and Members of the Christian Church, and in respect both to Doctrine and Practice,—its often-repeated *Law of Peace* and *Godly Quietness*,—and its *Laws of Courtesy, Brotherly Kindness*, and mutual *Charity*,—as well as its direction that ‘all things’ should ‘be done decently and in order,’ and its requirement of reasonable submission on the part of Church

Members, to the scriptural ‘rule’ of those who are ‘over them in the Lord,’—these are *standing enactments* of the Gospel, binding on all Christian communities, and, therefore, binding on the Methodist Societies without exception.” (See Minutes, Vol. VII., p. 583.)

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I. The Conference receives with lively satisfaction and gratitude this spontaneous expression of the steadfast attachment of so large a number of valued friends, in various parts of the kingdom, "to the great and long-established principles of Wesleyan Methodism;" and directs that it be inserted in the printed Minutes.

II. The Conference assures the brethren who have signed this Declaration of its solemn and unabated concern to maintain the purity of Christian doctrine and practice, as the most effectual and important means of promoting true godliness in our community. This highest of all its duties it has, from the beginning, endeavoured to discharge with integrity and fidelity, combined with all needful tenderness; and it will continue to do so, uninfluenced by the obloquy and misrepresentation which its endeavours may occasion; remembering that the same afflictions which its members endure have been accomplished in their predecessors in the ministry from the beginning.

III. The Conference, having received this important communication at a period of its session which would not admit of a full and detailed consideration of the suggestions spoken of in it, refers the document to the Committee on Memorials, with an instruction to take such suggestions, as far as they can be collected and preserved, into their careful consideration, and report thereon to the next Conference.

IV. The Conference presents its cordial and respectful acknowledgments to those Gentlemen who have prepared and so extensively signed this Declaration. It fully appreciates the value and importance of their testimony in favour of those principles and institutions which have been of late so wickedly assailed, and reciprocates those expressions of confidence and kindness which the document contains; and further expresses its devout hope and prayer, that, by the blessing of God upon the united labours of Ministers and people during the ensuing year, a gratifying result may be realised in the revival and extension of the work of God.

MISCELLANEOUS RESOLUTIONS.

1. *Thanks to the late President and Secretary.* Resolved unanimously, (1.) That the cordial thanks of the Conference be affectionately presented to its late President, the REV. JOHN BEECHAM, D.D., for the eminently able, judicious, and faithful manner in which he has fulfilled his important duties, both during the sittings of the last Conference, and, in a season of great Connexional difficulty, to the close of his term of office.

(2.) That the thanks of the Conference be presented to the President, DR. HANNAH, as the late Secretary of the Conference, for the highly acceptable and efficient services which he rendered in that office during the last year.

2. *Official Sermon and Charge.* Resolved unanimously, (1.) That the cordial thanks of the Conference be presented to the late President, the REV. DR. BEECHAM, for the able, excellent, and impressive Sermon which, in the course of his official duty, he delivered in the forenoon of Monday, August 4th, before the Conference; and that he be affectionately requested to publish the same.

(2.) That the request of the newly-ordained Ministers to be favoured, through the press, with a copy of the excellent and appropriate Charge which, in the course of his official duty, was addressed to them by the Ex-President, be commended to his kind consideration.

3. Resolved unanimously, That the cordial thanks of the Conference be presented to the President, the REV. DR. HANNAH, for the richly evangelical and deeply impressive Sermon which, in the course of his official duty, he delivered in the forenoon of Sunday, August 3d; and that he be affectionately requested to prepare it for publication.

4. *Special Committee of Finance.* The Conference having been requested, by the Committees of the General Chapel and other Connexional Funds, to appoint a Committee to consider the state of their affairs; the President of the Conference is hereby authorised to call a meeting of such members of those Committees, and other friends, as he may select, to be held at such time and place as he shall direct; who are requested to take a comprehensive survey of the state and prospects of our various Connexional Funds, as well as of our Chapel-Trusts, and to endeavour to devise means to relieve them from pecuniary embarrassments.

5. *Retirement of the Rev. Dr. Bunting.* The Conference has received with deep concern the communication made by the REV. DR. BUNTING of the enfeebled state of his health, and of the consequent necessity of his retirement from the full and regular service in which he has been so long and honourably occupied. Such an event the Conference feels to be a call for the exercise of a more than ordinary submission to the sovereign prerogative of the great Head of the church; but that submission, however mournfully, it would devoutly cherish and acknowledge.

At the same time, the Conference would feel itself to be greatly wanting in its duty, if it did not tender to the REV. DR. BUNTING, and place on record, the expression of its fraternal and cordial sympathy with him on this occasion; together with the assurance of its earnest prayer and hope that the comparative quiet and relief from public and responsible engagements, which will be consequent on his retirement, will, by the blessing of God, be so favourable to the conservation of his remaining strength, that he may be spared to the Connexion for years to come; and that in the

I. The Conference receives with lively satisfaction and gratitude this spontaneous expression of the steadfast attachment of so many a number of valued friends, in various parts of the kingdom, "to the great and long-established principles of Wesleyan Methodism;" and directs that it be inserted in the printed minutes.

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III. The Conference, having received this important communication at a period of its session which would not admit of a full and detailed consideration of the suggestions spoken of in it, transmits the document to the Committee on Memorials, with an instruction to take such suggestions, as far as they can be collected and preserved, into their careful consideration, and report thereon at the next Conference.

IV. The Conference presents its cordial and respectful acknowledgments to those Gentlemen who have prepared and so extensively signed this Declaration. It fully appreciates the value and importance of their testimony in favour of those principles and institutions which have been of late so wickedly assailed, and commends those expressions of confidence and kindness which this document contains; and further expresses its devout hope and prayer, that, by the blessing of God upon the united labours of Ministers and people during the ensuing year, a gratifying result may be realised in the revival and extension of the work of God.

MISCELLANEOUS RESOLUTIONS.

Thanks to the late President and Secretary. Resolved unanimously, (1.) That the cordial thanks of the Conference be affectionately presented to its late President, the REV. JOHN HAM, D.D., for the eminently able, judicious, and faithful manner in which he has fulfilled his important duties, both during the sittings of the last Conference, and, in a season of great pecuniary difficulty, to the close of his term of office.

(2.) That the thanks of the Conference be presented to the late Secretary, DR. HANNAH, as the late Secretary of the Conference, for the highly acceptable and efficient services which he rendered in that office during the last year.

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4. *Schedules and Circulars for Connexional Business.* As it is obviously desirable that the Committees appointed by the Conference to manage the several departments of the business of the Connexion, in the intervals of its session, should be furnished with as much statistical information as possible on the subjects of the matters of business severally confided to their care, the Conference authorises them, through their appointed Officers, to send, when they deem it expedient, suitable Circulars and Schedules to the Superintendents or to the Chairmen of Districts, as the case may require; and directs the Superintendents and Chairmen duly to return such Schedules properly filled up.

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every Circuit distinctly and regularly under the examination of the District-Meetings, copies of the *Printed Circuit-Schedules*, duly filled up, shall be annually produced, examined, and considered. The Chairmen of Districts are made responsible for the execution of this order; and shall bring such Circuit-Schedules with them to the Conference, that they may be forthcoming, if called for. (See also Minutes for 1831, Q. xxv., Vol. VII., p. 67.)

7. *Minor District-Meetings.* The following addition to the Rule of 1793, on the constitution of Minor District-Committees, is unanimously adopted by the Conference; viz.,—

That, in any case in which the Chairman of a District may deem it necessary to appoint a Minor District-Committee, should either party refuse or decline to choose two Ministers to act as members thereof, the Chairman is empowered and directed to nominate them, so that the number required by rule may be made up.

8. *Candidates for Admission on Trial.* Those Preachers who are recommended for admission on Trial shall preach in the presence of at least three of the Ministers of the District-Committee, (at or about the time of its Annual Meeting in May,) to be selected by the Chairman, (exclusively of the Superintendents by whom the Candidates respectively are proposed,) and a special Report of their Sermons shall be made in the District-Meeting, and immediately forwarded in writing to the London Committee of Examination.

9. *District-Meetings of 1852.* It is resolved, that all the regular Annual Meetings of the several District-Committees shall be held between the 16th and 23d of May, 1852, with the exception of the Lincoln, the North Wales, and the Second South Wales.

10. *Preachers on Trial to have proper opportunities for receiving the Lord's Supper.* The Conference having been informed that in several Circuits the Preachers on Trial have very rarely an opportunity for receiving the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper, resolves that, in compliance with a former injunction on this subject, the Superintendents be required to make the necessary arrangements in their Circuit-Plans, for securing to their junior Colleagues proper facilities for partaking of this holy Sacrament.

11. *District-Minutes.* The Chairmen of Districts are peremptorily required to procure *three* complete copies of the Minutes of the several Annual and other Meetings of the District-Committees, duly signed by the Chairman and Secretary. One of these copies shall be inserted in the District-Records; a second shall be reserved for the use of the Chairman and Financial Secretary at the Conference; and a third shall be delivered to the Sub-Secretaries, on the Wednesday preceding the Conference, and by them to the President during the first week of each Conference, to be preserved, under his direction, as a document appertaining to the Connexion. The several copies of the last class shall be written on foolscap paper, that they may be annually bound together in one volume.

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5. *Book Committee,* (p. 648,) Friday, July 23d, at four P.M.
6. *Auxiliary Fund Committee,* (p. 663,) Saturday, July 24th, at nine A.M.
7. *The Sabbath Committee,* (p. 677,) Saturday, July 24th, at four P.M.
8. *The Catechumen Committee,* (pp. 675, 676,) Saturday, July 24th, at six P.M.
9. *General Education Committee,* (pp. 674, 675,) Monday, July 26th, at nine A.M. and four P.M.
10. *Special Missionary Committee of Review,* (p. 641,) Tuesday, July 27th, at nine A.M.
11. *Annual Meetings of the Trustees of the two Institution-Houses,* Tuesday, July 27th, at four P.M.
12. *Theological Institution General Committee,* (p. 670,) Tuesday, July 27th, at six P.M.

N.B. 1. The Secretaries of the several Funds are directed to meet in Sheffield, on Wednesday, July 21st, for the purpose of preparing for their respective Committees the accounts of their several departments.

2. The Rev. Isaac Keeling, the Rev. Jonathan Crowther, and the Rev. William Barton, our Sub-Secretaries, are directed to attend at the same time, for the purpose of compiling from the District-Minutes various Lists, &c., which will facilitate the business of the Committees, and of the subsequent Conference.

3. The Chairmen of Districts are required to bring, or send, *in time for the meeting of the Secretaries of the several Funds,* on Wednesday, July 21st, perfect copies of the District-Minutes, and an account of the Numbers in Society in the several Circuits of their Districts, as taken at the March Visitation in 1852.

LIST OF GENERAL COLLECTIONS AND SUBSCRIPTIONS FOR 1851-52.

THE following are the usual and regular Collections which are to be made in all our Circuits during the ensuing year; viz.,—

1. The private Donations in the Classes, on behalf of the Worn-out Ministers' and Ministers' Widows' Auxiliary Fund, shall be entered in the Class-Books at the next September Visitation, and collected in the month of October. (See Q. xxvii., A. 2, p. 664, of these Minutes.)

2. The Private Subscriptions and Public Collections for the Kingswood and Woodhouse-Grove Schools, &c., are to be made

12. The Superintendents of those Circuits in which the Conference may from year to year assemble, shall, with the previous approbation of the President, (as already required by rule,) complete and print, not later than the 15th day of June in each year, a Plan of the order of preaching in the principal chapels during the session of the Conference; and shall also, on or before the above date, inform every person whom they may have appointed to preach in those chapels, of the time and place of such appointment. And in order that the Plan thus prepared may not be violated, to the disappointment of our friends, and to the great inconvenience of other parties concerned, no Minister who attends the Conference shall be at liberty to make an engagement to preach in any other Circuit, either on the Sabbath, or on any other day, during the period appointed for the meeting of the Conference, or of its various Preparatory Committees, at the time for which his name shall be inserted on the Conference Plan.

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CONFERENCE OF 1852.

Q. XXXVIII. When and where shall our NEXT CONFERENCE be held?

A. In Sheffield, commencing on Wednesday, July 28th, 1852, at Nine o'clock, A.M.

Signed in behalf and by order of the Conference,

JOHN HANNAH, D.D., *President*,
JOHN FARRAR, *Secretary*.

Newcastle-upon-Tyne, August 16th, 1851.

The PRESIDENT's address is, *Didsbury, near Manchester*; and the SECRETARY's, *Richmond, Surrey*.

ORDER OF COMMITTEES FOR 1852.

The COMMITTEES preparatory to the next Conference are appointed to meet in Sheffield, as follows;—(subject, however, to any change of the particular order, days, or hours, here specified, which the PRESIDENT, giving due notice to the parties concerned, may find it expedient to make;) viz.,—

1. *Stationing Committee*, Friday, July 16th, at nine A.M.
2. *Kingswood and Woodhouse-Grove Schools' Committee*, (p. 644,) Wednesday, July 21st, at four P.M.
3. *Contingent Fund and Children's Fund Committee*, (p. 658,) Thursday, July 22d, at nine A.M. and four P.M.

THE ANNUAL ADDRESS OF THE CONFERENCE TO THE METHODIST SOCIETIES.

DEARLY BELOVED BRETHREN,

It is with deep and solemn feeling that we proceed to discharge the present annual duty. Our relation to you, as the flocks committed by the CHIEF SHEPHERD to our care,—a relation unspeakably intimate and sacred,—we feel to be now more than ever endeared. We are constrained, by more than common feeling, first of all to assure you of our warmest affection. “Ye are in our hearts, to die and live with you.” Most willingly consecrating ourselves afresh to Christ’s service in your behalf, we humbly hope for a richer supply of His grace, that the future labours of our transitory life may be abundantly successful; that we may “finish our course with joy, and the ministry which we have received of the Lord Jesus, to testify the Gospel of the grace of God;” and that we may have the crowning blessedness of “presenting every man perfect in Christ Jesus.” “For what is our hope, or joy, or crown of rejoicing? Are not even ye in the presence of our Lord Jesus Christ at His coming? For ye are our glory and joy.”

Calling to remembrance many seasons, rich in blessing, in which we have had sweet and hallowed communion with you, how can we cease to think of you in our prayers, and to seek your souls’ prosperity, night and day? Multitudes among you have been dedicated to Christ in holy baptism by our office and ministry. Of such we have watched the childhood and advancing youth with earnest solicitude. The sympathies of their fathers and mothers—many of whom are now triumphant before the throne of God—we have felt it our welcome duty to share. Not a few of these dear young people have been baptized with the Holy Ghost. And, we venture to add, none but Pastors can feel, in all its extent, what gladdened the spirit of an Apostle when he wrote to his beloved Timothy: “Greatly desiring to see thee, being mindful of thy tears, that I may be filled with joy; when I call to remembrance the unfeigned faith that is in thee, which dwelt first in thy grandmother Lois, and thy mother Eunice; and I am persuaded that in thee also.” Your earlier vows, beloved brethren,—the dawning of celestial liberty on your spirits,—the “rapturous infancy” of your Christian life,—all are cherished by us in affectionate memory. To watch the progress and expansion of your graces,—to mark your faith, increasing in vigour and fruitfulness; your hope, not only animating you in the conflicts of life, but lifting you up to things above, refining and hallowing all your tempers; your love, greater than faith and hope, “abounding in knowledge and in all judgment,”—to minister to your comfort in affliction, and to your godly edifying,—to bear you daily to the

throne of the heavenly grace, and share with you the common blessing vouchsafed in answer to prayer,—these have been, and continue to be, our purest delights. The bond of pastoral attachment we feel to be altogether peculiar. We know of nothing equal to it in the universe. This consideration will be also felt by our dear people, (and the more deeply, if they reflect the more,) as warranting the mingled fervour and fidelity of our appeals on this as on every similar occasion.

Reviewing our official connexion with you, we humble ourselves before God on account of much imperfection, and gratefully ascribe to His free and infinite mercy all the good that has been wrought by the instrumentality of His servants. What are we, and what is our fathers' house, that we should be employed in this great service? The brighter the views of God's glory which open to our eyes, the more deeply we must abhor ourselves, and sink into the dust. That we have been "counted faithful," and "put into the ministry," we owe to sovereign mercy. "Who is Paul, and who is Apollos, but Ministers by whom ye believed, even as the Lord gave to every man?" "So then neither is he that planteth anything, neither he that watereth; but God that giveth the increase." Yet this sacred language will not fail to suggest to the thoughtful mind, that the human agency, while entirely dependent for its value and efficiency on the Divine grace, is made needful in the spiritual husbandry, as in the natural. "Elias was a man subject to like passions as we are, and he prayed earnestly that it might not rain: and it rained not on the earth by the space of three years and six months. And he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain, and the earth brought forth her fruit." And yet (to borrow an illustrative remark from an eminent northern Preacher) it may be affirmed, that, of all the luxuriant vegetation that followed the second prayer of the Prophet, there was not a single stem that did not issue from grain which had been cast into the soil by the hand of laborious man. The current of modern speculation in some quarters is adverse to the ordinances of Christ; and we are therefore bound, solemnly and distinctly, yet with deep humility, to assert anew that PREACHING is a Divine and perpetual ordinance; that its chief burden must ever rest upon men "separated unto the Gospel of God;" that this unpretending agency is still fresh in its primitive energy and importance; that nothing can supersede it, so long as "the foolishness of God is wiser than men, and the weakness of God is stronger than men;" that, in particular, the *press*, however powerful, can never take the place of the *pulpit*, nor the excursive *lecture* that of the *simple Gospel message*. To avail ourselves of the analogy furnished by an infallible pen,—if the modern disciples of Paul do not plant, and those of Apollos do not water, suns will shine and favouring seasons roll in vain: whatever may be the wild and thorny

produce of the human soil, there will be no abundant harvest of righteousness.

It will not surprise you, if, at this time in particular, we feel it imperative to declare, to the glory of God alone, that we are sustained, amid no common reproach and persecution, by a consciousness of motives which Divine grace has preserved in simplicity and purity. Happy should we be if this pastoral page might be unchequered by allusions to the bitterness of controversy. We appeal to you, dear brethren, who know that, by no choice of their own, the builders of the wall that encompasses your Jerusalem are compelled, while they toil at their arduous work with one hand, to hold a weapon with the other. Personal afflictions and reproaches we could far more willingly bear, if the building of the holy city and temple were not retarded. But this deepest calamity has caused our tears to flow; nor can "the apple of our eye cease," while Jerusalem thus suffers. The burden of our care and labour feeble humanity would gladly lay down; but the Master has bid us bear it, and His "strength is made perfect in weakness." In His light and favour we find refreshment which the world can neither give nor take away. And, blessed be His name, "our rejoicing is this, the testimony of our conscience, that in simplicity and godly sincerity, not with fleshly wisdom, but by the grace of God, we have had our conversation in the world, and more abundantly to you-ward."

In the providence and grace of God Methodism arose, more than a century ago, to take part in arousing a slumbering church and nation. Its founders were incited by no personal ambition: their one object was to spread scriptural holiness through the land. They proclaimed the ancient, primitive theology; drawing from the formularies of the National Church, and from the still more venerable oracles of God, the proof that their message contained no heretical novelties. They cannot be charged with the guilt of schism, as they never inclined to any causeless separation from the existing Church. But, from the shores of the south to the mountains of the north, Societies were collected; and these, unavoidably separated from the elder communion, became, in circumstances implying the solemnity of providential suggestion, a distinct Connexion of Churches. Much of their discipline was unpremeditated: but, far from impairing the force of any argument for its preservation, such a conviction throws us back on the first and most sacred plea for regarding the whole with tender reverence. This simple, beautiful system we believe to be in harmony with the teachings of infallible truth. That it has been crowned with a blessing from on high, in a degree which commands the wonder and even the veneration of multitudes beyond our pale, it is needless to argue. It may be more seasonable to remark, that the struggles which have disturbed our body show us to be in the safe middle.

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mutual and all-subduing love. Be regular in attending your class-meeting. Let the weekly opportunity be magnified in your eyes. Some whom we affectionately remember need, in this particular, to “strengthen the things which remain, that are ready to die.” We earnestly remind such of the fervour and simplicity of their earlier days; and, “longing after you all in the bowels of Jesus Christ,” we implore you to seek a fresh unction of grace. Avoid everything inconsistent with fraternal charity. “As touching brotherly love,” says an Apostle, most significantly, “ye need not that I write unto you: for ye yourselves are taught of God to love one another.” True to so sweet and holy an instinct, the new nature confesses “how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity.” You know, dear brethren, that every thing which destroys or injures love is from beneath.

In this restless age, it would be strange if our ecclesiastical polity were not subjected to the ordeal of severe examination. One or two minor questions, in regard to the way of *applying* great principles, and to some few *details* of a scriptural discipline, may divide the true friends of our beloved cause. But all who are entitled to this character will agree that, in dealing even with the minuter parts of such an organization, a jealous and reverent caution ought to be exercised. Nor ought the voices of history and experience to be disregarded. If certain changes have been elsewhere tried, and have failed; if that which seemed likely to gratify the popular taste has been introduced in other sections of Methodism, and followed by no accession of public influence, no improved spirituality, but rather by a loss of vigour and a relaxation of godly discipline; if the grievances of which complaint is made cannot be detected by the body of praying, peaceful church-members;—it behoves us all, and most plainly those among us who are unskilled in the larger examination of the question, solemnly to pause before asking for fitful and experimental legislation. From the spirit and actions of the parties who propose changes, we may often gain an important light on the path in which we are called to go. If these are among the most serious, the most self-denying, the most tender-hearted, the most ready to wash the disciples’ feet, the most lovely in the various relations of life; if their zeal is coupled with charity and wisdom; if, “as the elect of God,” they have evidently “put on bowels of mercies, kindness, humbleness of mind, meekness, long-suffering, forbearing one another, and forgiving one another;” if their suggestions are obviously designed to promote the spirit of devotion and of unity;—the Methodist Connexion, and the Conference of its Ministers, will never be unwilling to regard them with respectful consideration. The humblest member of Society has the opportunity of communicating such suggestions to the Conference. But the sacred law of peace, and the interests of the godly and quiet thousands

Methodism is as distant from the theories which ignore the *flock* of Christ, in order to clothe the *ministry* with exclusive and sacerdotal dignity, as from those which trample on the gifts and ordinances of Jesus Christ, bestowed for the instruction and edifying of His church in all ages. In doctrine, it combines the evangelical with the practical. In economical arrangements, it aims at the largest amount of good on the whole, and for time to come. It is now, as it has ever been, no less careful in protecting the privileges of its humblest members, than in maintaining the scriptural rights of its Ministers; and the latter it holds sacred and inviolable, for the good of myriads of the sheep redeemed by the Lord Jesus. The equal sanctity of order and liberty it seeks to guard. It aims at securing, for every one who comes under its salutary shadow, the amplest opportunities of doing and of receiving good. Its end is gained when "we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ;" when, "speaking the truth in love," we "grow up into Him in all things, which is the Head, even Christ; from whom the whole body fitly joined together, and compacted by that which every joint supplieth, according to the effectual working in the measure of every part, maketh increase of the body unto the edifying of itself in love."

The doctrines held by our fathers live among us, in all their purity. On this point we need not dwell: It is patent to the world, that we are more united than ever in the determination to maintain those views—drawn from Holy Scripture—which are dear to our earliest Christian experience, and to which our solemn assemblies give utterance from Sabbath to Sabbath in their inestimable "psalms, and hymns, and spiritual songs." If need be, we are ready to "contend earnestly for" these; believing them to present an embodiment of "the faith which was once delivered unto the saints." In regard to our established arrangements for Christian fellowship, also, we trust there is no decline of zeal or of affection on the part of our united Societies. But it is not out of season to urge some of our dear people to new diligence in cultivating this privilege. Let us honour God by early attendance in His house. Let us value everything that makes our union with Christ's church *felt* and *real*. While we "draw near" to "the holiest by the blood of Jesus," "with a true heart in full assurance of faith,"—and while we "hold fast the profession of faith without wavering,"—"let us consider one another to provoke unto love and to good works: not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another; and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching." Let us with constant care "exhort and edify one another." "Bear ye one another's burdens, and so fulfil the law of Christ." Cherish

importance will be reviewed in a calmer day? How, seven years hence? How, when we stand on the banks of Jordan, in the near prospect of unchangeable realities?

We reflect, with gratitude to God, that for more than a century our course toward other churches of Christ has been friendly and pacific. If seceders from our own community, dissenting from some Wesleyan views, yet retaining in the main the catholic faith, went away in peace, our kindly wishes and prayers would attend them. And it is our fondly-cherished hope that our Societies will not even now be provoked into hostility, either by the acrimony of faction or by the intermeddling of parties who have shown themselves too ready to intrude into our denominational conflicts. Many of the wisest and best among other Christians see that our contest has been for the very existence of a pastoral ministry. In regard to others, whose conduct has not requited our candour and friendly feeling toward *them*,—let us cherish no revenge. “If it be possible,” dear brethren,—yea, “as much as lieth in you,”—let the blessed cause of Christian union be uninjured. We entreat you, our beloved people, still to adorn your profession with “whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report.” Let your charity, unconfined by prejudice or passion, show the world where the Christians live.

It is our very painful duty to report a considerable loss of members. The vast majority of the separatists are to be thought of with deep and affectionate solicitude. That they should have yielded to the arts of a few misleaders, and that a system of wicked agitation, unparalleled in the history of the modern church, should have been regarded with a moment’s tolerance by any who have enjoyed the privileges of our church-communion, may well be regarded as no less humbling than painful. Yet, in prospect of the day when we shall all meet the Judge of the quick and the dead, let us ponder our duties toward the erring and the fallen. Certain agitators have abused the measure of confidence that they had been allowed to wield: their plans have been altogether alien from the temper of our holy Christianity. They have transgressed New-Testament law, and involved themselves in the dishonour—hitherto unexampled among us—of attempting to force us into compliances which they know that our conscience condemns. These men have excluded themselves from our confidence, but not from our pitying charity and our prayers. We beg you, dear brethren, to join us in interceding that God may give them repentance, and that the fearful sin of destroying precious souls may not be laid to their charge in the great day. Whatever plans may yet be framed to oppose or irritate you, let your love be invincible. “Pray,” says our benign and adorable Master, “for them which despitefully use you, and persecute you; that ye may be the children of

who compose our churches, alike forbid us to yield to men of strong political bias, ambitious of office and publicity, willing to rend Societies in pieces for trivial or doubtful advantages; men who do not scruple wantonly to expose the church of Christ to the reproaches of a malignant and blaspheming world; men whose weapons are bitterness, wrath, clamour, and the tyranny that would violate the conscience of a collective Pastorate, and of a contented and overwhelming majority of the people.

If we hold the PASTORAL CROOK with steady and unfaltering hand, it is in obedience to the clearly revealed law of Christ, and for the sake of the flock redeemed by His most precious blood. From all the fancies of men we go back to the Bible. We dare not neglect to "take the oversight of" God's people: we can never cease to love them. *Our* interests cannot be separated from *yours*; nor would *your* Christian privileges be safe, if the Master's order in the church were reversed. *Your* prosperity is *our* life. It is our very business to gather souls into the church, and keep them there. We pray for grace to give up life itself, rather than violate our sense of duty. There is a responsibility which we dare not resign. The wisdom of God may oppose the policy of man: it is enough for us to know who has said,—“I, even I, am He that comforteth you: who art thou, that thou shouldest be afraid of a man that shall die, and of the son of man which shall be made as grass; and forgettest the LORD thy Maker, that hath stretched forth the heavens, and laid the foundations of the earth; and hast feared continually every day because of the fury of the oppressor, as if he were ready to destroy? and where is the fury of the oppressor?” The question is, Have we grieved God? The highest courage in meeting the scorn of foes, and in defying the gates of hell, may consist with the most trembling fear of offending His sacred majesty and love.

To the CONNEXIONALISM which binds us together, and especially by means of a common ministry, we owe more than we can readily express. Yet nothing is more obvious than that, for the great advantages thus secured, we must forego some liberty of individual action. Our churches must be, not in word only, but in deed, UNITED in doctrine and in discipline. Hence the necessity of ecclesiastical arrangements which Independent congregations cannot need.

It is an unspeakable calamity that many have allowed their care and attention to be withdrawn, by passing controversy, from life's great business. The influence of the church on the world has been impaired. Christ's enemies have been encouraged to blaspheme. And all this, while sinners are dying around us, while Antichrist revives his impious claims, and the world heaves with tumults that portend stupendous issues. Let it be inquired, as in the searching light of God's countenance, how the trifles which now assume such

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your Father which is in heaven." As to the masses of the misled, let us also use every legitimate method of recovering them. "Ye which are spiritual, restore" the deluded and the wandering, "considering thyself, lest thou also be tempted." Let the charity which pursues them be discriminating. "Of some have compassion, making a difference: and others save with fear, pulling them out of the fire; hating even the garment spotted by the flesh." Think of the inestimable worth of immortal souls; and let every one of us pray and strive, if by any means he may gain some.

Yet communities, like individuals, are called to profit by the discipline of calamity. Whatever may be the permitted agency of second causes, all is wisdom, sweetness, and mercy in the Great First Cause. Before Him we desire to bow with submission, and with deepest humility. For ourselves, we desire to improve the present occasion, and to cultivate an increasing familiarity with heavenly things, "that our hearts may surely *there* be fixed where true joys are to be found." We give ourselves anew to our proper work; anxious only to "feed the flock of God which is among" us, "taking the oversight thereof, not by constraint, but willingly; not for filthy lucre, but of a ready mind; neither as being lords over God's heritage, but being ensamples to the flock." Let us most affectionately beg you, the members of our associated churches, to maintain high views of Christian privilege. Seek to exercise, every moment, the faith which is of the operation of God. Let none rest without the assurance, wrought by the Holy Spirit, of an interest in Christ's precious blood. Let all aspire after the present heaven of loving God with all the heart, and soul, and mind, and strength. The times call for fresh attention to those inspired texts which delineate practical religion. In their steady light let us daily examine ourselves. "Herein is" the adorable "Father glorified, that" the disciples of Jesus "bear much fruit;"—not merely the leaves of profession, and the bloom of promise, but the "fruit" of holy, lovely, useful living. In the full-meaning expression of Scripture, we are to be "filled with the fruits of righteousness." Whatever may be the fluctuating opinions of men, we know what authority has decided that "pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father is this, To visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction, and to keep himself unspotted from the world." "Be ye doers of the word," says the same venerable Apostle, "and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves." And again: "My brethren, be not many masters, knowing that we shall receive the greater condemnation. For in many things we offend all. If any man offend not in word, the same is a perfect man, and able also to bridle the whole body." And again: "The wisdom that is from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, and easy to be intreated, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality, and without hypocrisy. And the fruit of righteousness is

us. They who have not carried the burden of Sion, may not hope to share "the good of" her Lord's "chosen," or to "rejoice in the gladness of" His "nation," or to "glory with" His "inheritance." The point is, what can I do to glorify my Saviour? Dear to Him, can this cause be otherwise than dear to His true disciples? "If I forget thee, O Jerusalem, let my right hand forget her cunning." It is lamentable that wealth, fame, and worldly connexions have alienated some from the fellowship of saints; and that, on the other hand, adversity, unsanctified, has sometimes overwhelmed the spirit, induced complainings, and thus defeated the benign intention. Many have forsaken God through change of residence, or loss of Christian guides and friends. Others have fainted in the day of persecution. Because iniquity abounds, the love of many has waxed cold. The desolations of the holy city have repelled those who are attracted by external prosperity. Yet, through the grace of God, there are among us myriads of saints whose zeal none of these things can chill; who resolve to live for Jerusalem, and would rather die than survive her ruin. Still pray for her peace. The feeblest hand can move the skies. The infant in grace, and the hoary saint, can unite in this exercise. It is no conditional request that we have to urge: it is one which may be sent up with confidence to heaven. We are asking according to our Father's will: we are repeating the prayer of Jesus Himself, whose merit imparts prevalence to our intercessions. "O daughter of Babylon," said the ancient church in exile, "who art to be destroyed:" Babylon was then flourishing: but where are the powers that once wasted the church of God? or even those that were employed as a scourge to punish her unfaithfulness and sin? With expectation as calm as that of the exiled psalmist we may say, "Let God arise, let His enemies be scattered: let them also that hate Him flee before Him." Opposers may seem to triumph; but it will be for a brief season only. The means of their defeat will be found in the matter of their boasting. Another Euphrates shall be exhausted, and ONE greater than Cyrus will turn back our captivity.

During the past year many of our beloved Fathers and Brethren have been removed from us, to be for ever with the Lord. We are indeed admonished to do with our might whatsoever our hand findeth to do. Many of us have come to the margin of the grave: all are hastening thither. Help us, dear brethren, in the effort to consecrate all our remaining days to Christ. The heavenly "treasure" we bring to you "in earthen vessels," "that the excellency of the power may be of God, and not of us." "Sorrowful" are we, "yet alway rejoicing;" poor, yet making many rich;" "having nothing, and yet possessing all things." Enough is it for us to feel that "the LORD of hosts is with us, the God of Jacob is our refuge." "We have heard with our ears, and our

we be kept undefiled while the strife of sin and error rages, and then be numbered with the glorious company of those who celebrate the victory, "arrayed in fine linen, clean and white," and "called unto the marriage supper of the Lamb."

The holiness of a community is but the holiness of its individual members. If we desire the beauty, vigour, and glory of the church, it is both monitory and animating to reflect that every one of us may contribute to these results. Let each examine himself, whether he be now—this very moment—"in the faith." "Who of us," asked our fathers in 1770, "is *now* accepted of God?" And wisely they answered, "He that now believes in Christ, with a loving and obedient heart." The question is not, At what moment the Sun arose on us with healing in His wings?—but, Do we now rejoice in His light and heat? Are we yielding the fruit of the Spirit, in its plentiful variety?—governing our thoughts and tempers, taking heed to our ways that we sin not with our tongue? Are we impressed alike with the sacredness and the vanity of life? Who among us, reviewing the last twelve months, can now set up the stone of help, a year's journey nearer to heaven? Does our hope of that everlasting blessedness exert its due and sanctifying influence?

It would be ungrateful to forget that past struggles in the church of Christ, and in our own branch of it in particular, have been followed by abounding peace and prosperity. The lovers of Sion have been tried, and their fidelity has been graciously rewarded. They have not wept and prayed in vain. The Master has come suddenly, and at His pacific presence confusion and strife have been rebuked. He has made "Jerusalem a quiet habitation." "There the glorious LORD" has been "a place of broad rivers and streams; wherein" went "no galley with oars, neither" was "gallant ship" permitted to "pass thereby." And, as to the future of this cause, we are full of hope and confidence. Jesus is "the Head over all things to the church." By that faith which brings distant things nigh, and sees things invisible, let us vividly realise His intercession and gracious reign. The exhaustless power and grace of the Holy Ghost are dispensed by the royal Mediator. Calamitous experience will yield priceless benefits, if we learn to magnify and invoke the blessed Spirit's influences. We need a thousand blessings; but, if *He* come in plentiful baptisms, all will be secured. This is what we want, and what Jesus waits to give. Then "the light of the moon shall be as the light of the sun, and the light of the sun shall be sevenfold, as the light of seven days, in the day that the LORD bindeth up the breach of His people, and healeth the stroke of their wound."

But, whatever comfort and triumph the church may see, if *we* do not regard her cause with tender love, and earnestly strive to promote it, the brightness of the coming day will not be shed on

deplore the spirit of evil which has been made manifest; we sympathise with our maligned and injured brethren; we lament over the many that have erred and are deceived. But we rejoice that, in the midst of all, you have been so “perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same judgment,” determined to abide by the great principles of Wesleyan Methodism, and to preserve unimpaired those guards of doctrinal and ministerial purity handed down by your venerated fathers, and on the maintenance of which, under God, must depend your continued efficiency and success. We hear, with gratitude to God, of the sound-heartedness of the great body of your people, the renewed confidence which has been expressed in the ability and faithfulness of the esteemed and gifted men who manage your Missionary affairs, the spirit of liberality which has been evoked in support of your varied institutions, and the many evidences of the Divine blessing, both at home and in the foreign field, with which you have been cheered. In the spirit of faith and prayer we, too, would hold up your hands. If you are called to contend, it is in the defence of truth, of purity, of godly discipline, of Christian love. The result cannot be doubtful: God will stand by His own cause; “the wrath of man shall praise” Him; and “the remainder of wrath” shall He “restrain.”

Amid the rockings of the present storm, the principles of your great Connexion shall be rooted more deeply in the moral soil; and, when it shall have passed over, the dew of heaven will rest upon your churches’ branches, and they shall flourish with renewed freshness, and bring forth more abundant fruit.

Glad, indeed, should we be were there less occasion for referring to our own peculiar difficulties; but the experience of another year affords sad evidence that the evils which we have so long deplored continue to afflict us. With adoring gratitude we acknowledge that, to some extent, God’s judgments have been stayed; and we would fain indulge some hopeful anticipations as to the future prospects of our country. But things are yet in a very unsettled state. Poverty still depresses numbers; and the tide of emigration has again carried thousands from our shores. Thus, also, have we sustained new losses; while obstacles to progress present themselves in the unrepaired wastes of former desolations. Popery, too, whose withering influence has blighted the prosperity of so many nations, and which you well describe as the master-evil of Ireland, has assumed a bolder front; and several of our people have been called to suffer for having dared to exercise their rights as subjects of the British Crown. But, although our hopes have often been deferred, and sometimes, amid the gloom of our circumstances, we have been well-nigh discouraged, God has not left us without manifest tokens of His gracious presence. Several of our Circuits have been visited with seasons of refreshing; and many

souls have been added unto the Lord. We call to mind, also, the days of our fathers, their sufferings, their self-denial, the ~~success~~ which attended their holy toil. We have entered into labours ~~to~~ which they took possession of the land. The doctrines ~~which~~ they preached, and which we have received, are the same; in ~~their~~ power and saving truth we have the utmost confidence; and, ~~from~~ the sure word of prophecy, we know that the strongholds of ~~error~~ shall yet be pulled down, and our whole land evangelized. We are humbled before our God; yet do we look to Him, ~~with~~ renewed confidence, that He will "satisfy us with" His "mercy," and "make us glad according to the years in which we have ~~seen~~ evil."

To the spiritual instruction of our youth we have continued ~~to~~ direct our efforts; and we are more than ever impressed with the importance of this department of our pastoral charge.

Of our Brethren who were engaged in the full work of the ministry, only one has been removed by death during the year,—the Rev. James Sullivan, a good man and faithful Minister of Jesus Christ, who, by the interest which he took in our chapel-affairs, greatly served our Connexion. Two of our esteemed Supernumerary Brethren have also entered into the joy of their Lord; and four other Ministers now retire from active toil,—one of whom, the Rev. William Crook, has closed his forty-seventh year of faithful labour.

Three young men, who had creditably fulfilled their period of probation, have been publicly ordained to the ministerial office. Five others, who were cordially recommended by their District-Meetings, have been received on trial by the Conference, and three of them appointed to Circuits.

We hailed with delight the appearance amongst us of our beloved and honoured President. We magnify the grace of God, by which he has been sustained in the discharge of duties so onerous and trying; and, thankful for the Providence which brought him to our shores in safety, we only regret that the pressure of Connexional engagements should in any wise have shortened his stay, and deprived us of the continued advantage of his wise counsels, and of his lucid, edifying, and impressive ministrations.

Your valued Secretary, Dr. Hannah, is increasingly endeared to us by the meekness of his wisdom, and his kindly interest in all our concerns. For Dr. Newton, our honoured, venerated, and long-tried friend, we can only repeat the expression of our affection and esteem. The longer we know him, the more he is beloved. The powerful pulpit discourses of these distinguished messengers of your churches were heard by crowded and attentive congregations, to whom, we trust, lasting benefit shall accrue.

Your Missionary Deputations, consisting of the Revds.

Charles Haydon, John Rattenbury, Joseph Hargreaves, John Martin, and William Wedlock, were received by us with cordial welcome, and rendered most efficient service to the great interests of your Missionary cause.

The Rev. Samuel Young, the esteemed Superintendent of your Missions and Schools, has commended himself to our brotherly regards and confidence. We gladly receive him to our deliberations, and shall rejoice to co-operate with him in the work to which he has been appointed.

We depute, as our Representatives to your ensuing Conference, the Revds. Thomas Waugh, John Greer, and Thomas Meredith. They know our affairs, and will, we are persuaded, be received by you with your accustomed kindness.

And now, beloved Fathers and Brethren, we are about to close the sittings of one of the most harmonious and happy Conferences we have ever held. We give ourselves anew to God and to His work, resolved, by His grace, to live and die in promoting the interests of our common Methodism; preaching more earnestly its distinctive doctrines, administering more faithfully its godly discipline, and, with more self-denying zeal, extending to all whom we can reach the saving benefits it has conferred upon ourselves. We need a richer baptism of the Spirit,—a more copious effusion of the Holy Ghost. For this, in humble but hopeful expectancy, we wait upon the Lord. We ask a continued remembrance in your prayers. Surely God “will be inquired of for this, to do it for” us; He “will increase” us “with men like a flock.” In this confidence we repair anew to our allotted spheres of labour, desiring in all things to approve ourselves as the Ministers of God, living only for the salvation of souls; so that we may finish our course with joy, and finally be admitted, with those who have been the fruit of our ministry, into the glorious presence of our Lord.

Signed on behalf and by order of the Conference,

JOHN F. MATHEWS, *Secretary.*

Belfast, July 2d, 1851.

THE ANSWER OF THE BRITISH CONFERENCE TO THE ADDRESS OF THE IRISH CONFERENCE.

VERY DEAR BRETHREN,

By the merciful providence of God, we are once more assembled in our Annual Conference; and we rejoice to have among us your beloved Representatives, and to receive at their hands your very welcome Address. The sentiments of Christian esteem and love which you express toward us, have served to gladden our hearts, and to encourage our faith. In return, we would

affectionately assure you of our unabated interest in all your affairs; of our earnest desire that you may be enriched with all spiritual blessings in Christ Jesus, and that your endeavours to advance the common cause of our Redeemer may be crowned with more abundant success.

We are aware of the many and peculiar difficulties under which you prosecute the duties of your holy calling; but we rejoice to find that your faith is sustained, and that your labour is not in vain in the Lord. We grieve to learn from your Address that many of your people are still depressed with poverty, and that some of them have been called to suffer for their adherence to the cause of truth and righteousness, and "for having dared to exercise their rights as subjects of the British Crown." We sympathise with them in their sufferings, and would encourage them to Christian steadfastness by reminding them of the example of those who, through the abounding grace of God their Saviour, were enabled to depart from "the presence of the council, rejoicing that they were counted worthy to suffer shame for His name." Our prayer to God for them is, that they may be kept faithful; so that our gracious Saviour may say to them, as He said to some of His tried and afflicted ones of old, "Because thou hast kept the word of my patience, I also will keep thee from the hour of temptation which shall come upon all the world, to try them that dwell upon the earth."

Methodism in Ireland is, in a special sense, a witnessing church. Her banner is displayed because of the truth, and not for sectarian purposes. Her vocation is to hold forth the word of life to those who are shrouded in the darkness and bowed under the superstitions of Popery. To the deluded multitudes still under the oppressive rule of the Man of Sin, you are especially called to proclaim the glorious liberty of the sons of God; as well as to invite to the purity and elevated joys of spiritual religion those who are resting in the unsanctioned forms and proud assumptions of a fallen Church.

You direct our attention to the aggressive movements and the awakened energies of Popery. These things give rise to solemn thoughts, and call us to godly diligence and prayer. The conflict thickens, and great principles are staked on its issue; but that issue is not doubtful. Inspiration has pronounced the doom of Antichrist. Meanwhile, we are called to united and decisive action, as well as to prayerful vigilance against the devices of the great adversary. It is obviously his policy to occupy the time and waste the energies of the faithful, in the discussion of questions of comparatively minor importance;—questions which serve to "gender strifes, rather than godly edifying which is in faith." He endeavours to divide, that he may destroy. Let us be alive to our danger, and intent on our duty. Let us "love one another

with a pure heart fervently ;” “praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit.” Now is the time to “put on the whole armour of God, that we may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places.” Our Divine Head calls us now to “contend earnestly for the faith which was once delivered to the saints.” Whether this will prove the last struggle of Antichrist to recover his lost ascendancy in these lands or not, we know that the time draws nigh when “the Lord shall consume that Wicked with the spirit of His mouth, and shall destroy” him “with the brightness of His coming.”

We observe, with regret, that you are still called to suffer serious loss in the removal of large numbers of your members by emigration. Your numerical progress is thus prevented, while your financial difficulties are increased ; but we cherish the hope that your emigrant children will not only be preserved in spiritual life themselves, but will carry with them to other and distant lands the savour of the knowledge of God ; so that the diminishing of your ranks may thus contribute to “the riches of the world.”

We accept with gratitude your expression of sympathy with us in our recent troubles, arising from unhallowed agitation and strife. A wide-spread confederation has been formed, and systematic attempts have been perseveringly made, to trample down the scriptural rights of our pastoral ministry, and to break the bonds of our Connexional polity. All manner of evil has been spoken of us, and of our faithful people, falsely ; and in a thousand instances things have been laid to our charge that we know not. Some of our Brethren have been called, in addition to “cruel mockings,” to “endure hardness,” even to the suffering of want. To force the surrender of rights which could not be obtained by voluntary concession, and to intimidate the servants of Christ from the performance of obvious duty, the troublers of our Israel have in many of our Circuits withheld and alienated that “hire” of which the great Lord of all has declared His “labourers” to be “worthy.” Of ourselves have men arisen “speaking perverse things, to draw away disciples after them.” We have had to deplore the defection and enmity of many who were once the objects of our pastoral care and solicitude ; and who, previously to these evil days, were forward to confess that, under God, they owed their salvation to our ministry, and had been nourished in newness of life in the green pastures of our public ordinances, and private means of grace. These things have constituted our burden and grief during the past year ; and our earnest prayer is, that, by the blessing of the Most High, we and our beloved people may reap from them all those lessons of godly prudence, and fruits of righteousness, which, when sanctified, they are calculated to yield.

Though, as a people, we have always had to follow our Great Exemplar through evil as well as good report, it has seldom fallen to our lot to announce to you a decrease in our numbers: such, however, is our painful duty on the present occasion. A great defection has taken place in our camp. But it must not be supposed that the diminution is owing entirely to dissatisfaction with our system of discipline, or that all are lost whom we cease to reckon in our ranks. Some thousands of our faithful people have died in the course of the year in the full triumph of faith; others have for a time lost their status in our community through removals; while considerable numbers have, we grieve to say, been driven from our fellowship by restless and agitating men. While we cannot but think that these latter would have acted a more magnanimous part had they shared the reproach, and stood by their Pastors in the storm, we neither count them as our enemies, nor consider them as lost to the common cause of Christianity; but we see in their departure an additional reason for the maintenance of order against the strivings of anarchy, and of principle against any compromise with worldly expediency. We would also guard you, dear Brethren, against concluding, from the misrepresentations of our assailants, that the mass of our community are wishful to effect organic changes in our constitution. The contrary is the fact. The great body of our people know from happy experience that Methodism is the work of God. Its doctrines have been made the power of God to their salvation; in its ordinances their souls have been fed as with marrow and fatness; and its disciplinary and evangelistic arrangements afford them opportunities of usefulness, means of self-improvement, and guards to their piety, which they estimate above all price. The sacrifices they have made during the past year evince their attachment to its ministry, and their determination to withstand those who seek to change its polity. They, with us, have made up their minds to stand by its institutions, and many of them are prepared by a united effort to free them from the temporary embarrassment with which recent events have loaded them. The changes suggested in the Memorials sent to our Conference, with only few and very inconsiderable exceptions, are all minor changes. What our Societies want is settled peace, more pastoral oversight, the Spirit of grace and of supplications, and an increase of true godliness. The unhappy contentions which have been forced upon us during the last two years have, to a lamentable extent, diverted the attention of both Ministers and people from the great business of saving souls, and of spreading scriptural holiness through the land. Called to defend the citadel of our Sion, we have been prevented from making our wonted aggression on the world; contending for constitutional principles, and occupied in repelling the attacks of unscrupulous assailants, many of us have been hindered from feeding the lambs, and from seeking out and

bringing in those who are ignorant and out of the way; and hence the lack of new converts to fill up the vacancies occasioned by deaths and other causes. This vast absorption of time and of energy in defensive operations was felt to be inevitable, and it was submitted to both as a duty and a trial of our faith. But we begin to breathe a freer air; the Spirit of power, and of love, and of a sound mind, has been effused upon ourselves since we met in Conference; a large-hearted benevolence animates many of our people; the primitive spirit of simple Methodistic zeal revives; we feel the firmness of the foundation on which we stand; those who disturbed our peace, and hindered our aggressive movements on the kingdom of darkness, have for the most part abandoned our fellowship, or have been separated by the exercise of discipline;—so that we look for brighter days, and are prepared to make full proof of our ministry in the church and upon the world.

With humble gratitude to the Giver of every good and perfect gift, we confess that, in the midst of tribulation and sorrow, we have not been left without grounds of consolation and thanksgiving. The abounding benevolence of our people in supporting our persecuted Ministers, the general success which has attended the labours of our Missionaries abroad, and the rich supply of well-qualified young men to fill up the vacancies in our ministry, are indications of the Divine favour which call for songs of praise.

Nor can we be unmindful of the kindness and generosity of our Irish Brethren, as manifested in the munificent donation of Two Hundred Pounds, which your esteemed Representatives have presented, in your name, to the Treasurers of the Fund instituted for the relief of those of our Ministers who have been deprived of their ordinary Circuit allowances. When we consider your own great and often-recurring exigencies, and the smallness of your incomes, we glorify the grace of God in you; and we joyfully witness that “in a great trial of affliction, the abundance of your joy and your deep poverty have abounded unto the riches of your liberality. For to your power, yea, and beyond your power, ye were willing of yourselves; praying us with much intreaty that we would receive the gift, and take upon ourselves the fellowship of the ministering to the saints.” We are deeply affected by this fresh proof of your love. It is surely a sacrifice, “acceptable and well-pleasing to God;” and our prayer for you is, that He may “supply all your need according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus.”

We are fully resolved to maintain the truth in love, and would seek by all means to please all men to their edification: but we cannot sacrifice the essential elements of Methodism; believing, as we do, that they are in harmony with the word of God, and knowing that He has condescended to make our section of the church an instrument in guiding tens of thousands to glory. After the

most careful and solemn consideration of the questions which have been agitated among our beloved people, we are resolved, in the fear of God, to abide by the great principles of our well-tried system: to maintain inviolate the sacred trust committed to us by our venerated Founder; to uphold, and by the Divine blessing to spread, that system of doctrine and discipline which the trials and triumphs of a hundred years demonstrate to be of God.

Our devotional exercises in Conference have been hallowed and blessed. In the reading of the Scriptures we have admired the grace, and felt the power, of the words of the Holy Ghost's teaching. Self-abasement, deep concern for the glory of God, earnest desire for the peace of Jerusalem, with fervent longings for the outpouring of the Spirit, the recovery of our misled members, and the revival of the work of God, have specially characterised the approaches of our brethren to the throne of the heavenly grace. We have deeply felt that our sufficiency is *only* in the Lord; that He alone can build up our waste places, and give true and permanent prosperity to our Sion. We have sought with one accord to be re-baptized with the Holy Ghost; that, being endued with power from on high, we may prevail with God, and be increasingly successful in our mission to men.

During the past year, many of our Fathers and Brethren have been called home to their reward. We have reviewed the history of their life and labour with solemn joy. They loved the Saviour, and delighted to spend and to be spent in His service. The religion which they taught and exemplified in their lives, enabled them to triumph in death. "Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord: Yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labours; and their works do follow them." Some of these were men of renown in our church, men whom God delighted to honour. We mourn over their loss; over the loss of their able ministry, their sage counsels, and their holy example. Nevertheless our faith is in Him who, though He buries His workmen, carries on His work. May we who survive be baptized for the dead!

We have, also, to record that many of our fellow-labourers, who have borne the burden and the heat of the day, have been compelled by years and increasing infirmities to retire from active service. May the evening of their day be serene and bright! While we sympathise with these veteran Fathers and Brethren generally, we cannot refrain from particularly referring to the case of one of them, of whom we may truly say, that his "praise is in all the churches." Evangelical, powerful, and singularly successful in his pulpit ministrations, eminently wise in counsel, untiring in the application of his great powers to our Connexional affairs, firm, yet conciliatory, in the maintenance of principle, patient and forgiving under floods of unmerited obloquy, truly catholic in

sentiment, and fraternal in intercourse with all who love the Lord Jesus Christ, Dr. Bunting leaves us an example for our imitation, replete with instruction, and second only in true dignity to that of our venerable Founder. While we cannot but mourn that increasing infirmities oblige so gifted a Minister to retire from active service, we meekly bow to the dispensation; thankful at the same time that Providence permits us to hope that his release from the fatigues of office may be the means of continuing to us, for years to come, the lessons of his mature experience, and his fatherly exhortations to ministerial fidelity, concord, and love.

You will be glad to learn that our Normal School at Westminster for the training of School Masters and Mistresses is partly opened, and so far is in successful operation. We confidently hope that, with the blessing of Almighty God, this institution will realise our highest anticipations. We are anxious to take our full share in the good work of instructing and training the young in general knowledge, and especially in the knowledge of God and of His revealed will. This we feel to be a subject of vast importance; and, believing it to be vitally connected with our prosperity as a religious community, we would respectfully and earnestly commend it to your careful consideration. The children of our people are, to a great extent, the hope of our church; and to them, therefore, through the means of our Day and Sunday Schools, as also by select classes, in which they shall be made thoroughly acquainted with Christ's holy Gospel, we must direct our earnest and affectionate endeavours. While we thus remind you of the duty of specially caring for the young, we do not forget the many and somewhat miscellaneous duties of your laborious ministry. At the same time our conviction is, that the under-shepherds of Christ's flock are called upon more fully to carry out the injunction of the Chief Shepherd, "Feed my lambs."

Your excellent Representatives, the Revds. Thomas Waugh, John Greer, and Thomas Meredith, we have received with a cordial and Christian welcome. We pray that they may be carried back to you in the fulness of the blessings of the Gospel of peace.

We have appointed to attend your next Conference our highly-esteemed President, the Rev. Dr. Hannah, together with the Ex-President, the Rev. Dr. Beecham, and the Rev. Dr. Newton. And, in our plan of Missionary Deputations, we have made the following arrangements for Ireland:—For the North of Ireland, the Revds. Joseph Hargreaves and John Bedford; for the South, the Revds. Joseph Stinson and Thornley Smith; and for the West, the Rev. Henry Davies.

We rejoice that the labours of the Rev. Samuel Young have been blessed by the Great Head of the church, and trust that under his judicious superintendence your Missions, and your Day

and Sunday Schools, will become increasingly efficient. He ~~me~~ your strenuous co-operation in the carrying out of ~~his~~ ~~measures~~. and, honouring your past zeal in this cause, we are ~~persuaded~~ ~~it~~ will still promptly afford him all the aid in your power. We ~~fe~~ agree with you in your sense of the pressing need of a ~~an~~ abundant effusion of the Holy Ghost upon the church. ~~With~~ this, all the forces of our skill and strength are very feeble. But it is our joy to know that the residue of the Spirit is ~~with~~ Him who wears our nature, and who pleads in our behalf ~~before~~ the throne; and that He will pour it out in answer to our ~~cessant~~ cry. We therefore resolve in His name to give ourselves ~~to~~ prayer. As the Lord's remembrancers, we will "not keep silence, till He establish, and till He make Jerusalem a praise in the earth."

"And now, Brethren, we commend you to God, and to the word of His grace." May His wisdom be your guide! May the cloud of His protecting love accompany you! May His Spirit uphold you! And when, as the servants of Christ, we have finished our day of toil, when the long shadows of the evening fall about us, may we hear our Lord say, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant: enter thou into the joy of thy Lord."

Signed on behalf and by order of the Conference,

ISAAC KEELING,	} <i>Sub-Secretaries.</i>
JONATHAN CROWTHER,	
WILLIAM BARTON,	

Newcastle-upon-Tyne, August 15th, 1851.

ADDRESS OF THE CONFERENCE OF THE WESLEYAN-METHODIST CHURCH IN CANADA IN CONNEXION WITH THE BRITISH CONFERENCE, TO THE CONFERENCE IN ENGLAND.

REVEREND FATHERS AND BRETHREN,

WE acknowledge, with lively gratitude, the reception of your highly-valued Address, filled as it is with the same sanctified and paternal spirit which pervaded the letters of the great and good Father of the Wesleyan family; and our hearts respond to all the sentiments and statements which it contains. Our fervent wish is, that the "grace" of which you remind us may dwell in us richly, as it does in you; that the "ministry" which we "have received of the Lord Jesus" may more than ever be a ministry of light, and love, and power.

It is delightful and edifying to us to receive an annual epistle from the Parent Conference of Methodism, which has its existence

near the throne of a beloved and venerated royalty, in a country where many of us were born into the world, where many were born of God; and our most fervent prayer is, that "the beauty of the Lord" may rest upon the British Sovereign and Empire, and that by her means, in unison with other lands, the benedictions of Christianity may be diffused universally.

We hold, with the grasp of a firm faith, the revealed doctrines you have long and successfully believed and preached. "It is an object of our highest concern to maintain, pure and inviolate, the principles of original Methodism; principles which, we are well persuaded, serve to guard the equal sanctity of order and liberty, the responsibility of the pastorate, and all the real privileges of the flock." We deem the primary vocation of our Fathers to be our highest vocation, and the duty of "spreading scriptural holiness" our paramount duty and most exalted privilege, next to a personal and experimental enjoyment of the Divine favour, and Spirit, and guidance; our real and happy association with you, our greatest ecclesiastical honour; and we hope that the purpose which impels you, impels us in the career of Gospel and Methodist enterprise, that our redeemed world may be justified and washed, and that ere long the people of every tribe, and clime, and tongue may crown the Saviour Lord of all.

We sincerely sympathise with you in the "conflicts" to which you very briefly refer, and beg to assure you that they only increase our approval of your principles and proceedings. The constitution which was received from the Rev. John Wesley, and faithfully transmitted to you and to us, is a sacred and an invaluable trust, which could not be resigned without guilt on the part of his descendants in the ministry; and danger to myriads; and it will not be resigned at the bidding of any power, much less at the dictation of a mistaken, unscriptural, and violent confederation. The position which you wisely maintain, in respect to Christian and literary education, we consider of immense importance to present and future generations, when insidious dogmas and senseless and godless forms are rife, and when the aggressions of Papal Rome are welcomed by many clerical members of a professedly Protestant Church. We applaud and will sustain you in preserving, without mutilation, and in transmitting to posterity, that inestimable gift of Heaven,—the Christian and Protestant religion.

We have received your appointment of the Rev. Enoch Wood, as President of our Conference, with delight; and accept it as a fresh proof of your anxious determination to promote the success of Methodism in Canada. While his past ministerial efforts, and judicious and vigorous zeal, as the Superintendent of Missions, and his cordial and frank spirit, have greatly endeared him to us; the dignity, impartiality, and urbanity with which he has presided

over us during the entire session of Conference have added : our admiration of his acts ; and we earnestly and unanimously a his re-appointment, as our President, for the next year.

We thankfully acknowledge your readiness and kindness in re-appointing the Rev. John Ryerson to the important office of Co-Delegate, and have much pleasure in bearing testimony to the sound judgment, integrity, and Methodistical propriety with which he has discharged the duties of his office. We respectfully request that he may again be appointed the Co-Delegate for the ensuing year.

Our talented and esteemed Brother, the Rev. Dr. Ryerson, whom we unanimously appointed last year our Representative to the British Conference, was, we regret to know, prevented by his urgent educational engagements from attending your Conference ; but we rejoice to learn that, in compliance with our request, the Rev. Dr. Alder very ably supplied his lack of service : and, from a brotherly and affecting letter of his, received with your Address, and from some accompanying documents, we are convinced how faithfully he did it. To hear that Dr. Ryerson has, in all his communications with your Missionary Committee, displayed great ability and fidelity, is what we expected ; and, for the fraternal attentions and esteem shown him in England, we express our acknowledgments. We respectfully beg that our thanks may be conveyed to Dr. Alder for his recent services, and all his past efforts for the extension, unity, and stability of Wesleyan Methodism in this province. We cannot forget the inestimable blessings which have been conferred upon many countries during his prolonged occupation of the office of Missionary Secretary ; and, on his retirement from so important a sphere, we are gratified to be informed it is to him a pleasing anticipation, that, as a member of the Missionary Committee, it may be in his power to render further assistance to our increasingly-interesting work in Canada. With great unanimity and cordiality we desire him to act as the Representative of this Conference at the approaching British Conference.

Dr. Ryerson, we are thankful to say, has returned in safety and in health ; and his full and affectionate statements, before our Conference, of the present very important position and prospect of Wesleyan Methodism at home, and of the goodwill and love he met with there, have greatly conduced to strengthen the bonds which unite us to the British Conference and to British Methodists.

We feel under obligation to you for the promptitude with which you complied with the wish we expressed in our last year's Address, in reference to our late esteemed President, the Rev. Dr. Richey ; and while, from an excellent communication received by the Conference, we are gratified to learn that the retirement from his

ous and responsible duties, during the past year, has resulted in the partial recovery of his health, we regret that it is still such as to induce him to seek further relief from ministerial labour, in the hope that he may again enter upon the performance of those duties which his eminent talents qualify him to discharge.

O God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has bestowed on us all spiritual blessings, we offer our warmest thanks for the presence of the Holy One during our present session. He has been present with His servants in power. The religious services connected with our session have been eminently means of grace. The gifts of the Spirit have cheered and sanctified the faithful. The time devoted to the consideration of the well-known and valuable Liverpool Resolutions was searching and salutary. The return of our yearly convocation supplies new and welcome evidence that the union is of Divine formation. May its blessedness and benefits still more gloriously appear!

The Wesleyan doctrine, constitutions, rules, and usages are closely adhered to in all our Societies; and they more fully appreciate all our means of grace. Though several of the members of Methodism in Canada have, within twelve months, died in the midst of their course, you will be partakers of our joy when we hear you that, at this session, nineteen promising young men have been received on trial for the Itinerancy; and that our number of members is twelve hundred. The reports of Sabbath-schools from the Circuits and Missions are favourable, and we have added additional means for their greater success; while there is increasing attention to the duty of establishing Catechumen everywhere.

No department of our widely-extending work is more important than that which is *Missionary*. On the Indian Missions we have an unusual accession of members. Our Industrial Missions are in successful operation. The Domestic Missions are acquiring a more striking importance; and the ceaseless transference of Missions into Circuits is to us, as we are sure it is to you, a most satisfactory Wesleyan process. We are honoured by the countenance and support which His Excellency, Lord Selkirk, gives to our Missionary operations. The members and friends of our church have this year brought their offerings to the treasury with a cheerful liberality; and we have a fourth, or four thousand pounds, more than last year. We praise God that we are thus encouraged and enabled to extend the Redeemer's kingdom among the aborigines and destitute settlers of this

Book-Room is yearly becoming of more importance to the ministry and church, and to the province; and the study of Wesleyan theology, biography, and history are felt by us to be more urgent and imperative than ever. During the last

year a Wesleyan Tract-Society for Canada has been organized, and it is our purpose, as soon as practicable, to have Branch Societies on all the Circuits. Thus will error be met, and doctrines, laws, and ordinances be vindicated, and "the truth it is in Jesus" be extensively disseminated.

We now, beloved Fathers and Brethren, repair to our appointed fields of toil, believing that they will be scenes of moral and spiritual triumph. We think of our vows. We again dedicate ourselves to the service and glory of our common Master. We are pledged to our theology, our instrumentality, and our unity. To make Christ's law and love known is our work, that all men may be illumined and regenerated. Our system is vital and mighty through God. He shall bless us while we spread His praise. "God forbid that we should glory, save in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ."

Signed at Toronto, this Thirteenth day of June, in the year of our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Fifty-One, by order and on behalf of the Conference of the Wesleyan-Methodist Church in Canada, in connexion with the British Conference,

JAMES MUSGROVE, *Secretary.*

THE ANSWER OF THE BRITISH CONFERENCE TO THE ADDRESS OF THE CANADIAN CONFERENCE.

VERY DEAR BRETHREN,

WE have received your letter with cordial satisfaction, and with gratitude to God, who crowns with prosperity your labours in His service. Abiding by the standard of revealed truth; building on the only sure foundation, the Lord Jesus Christ; and constant in preserving the defence of discipline around your Church; you agree with us in the doctrine which is to us, as it was to our Fathers, the power of God unto salvation. You support us by your steadfastness in keeping the trust confided to your charge. Earnestly do we pray that no corruption of this doctrine, nor any neglect of this discipline, may rob you of your glory.

We fully unite in your profession of loyalty towards the person and throne of our most gracious Sovereign, than whom none was ever more worthy to be honoured; and we regard that profession as the utterance of a principle inseparable from Christianity, and most necessary to be exemplified in such times as these.

The conflict which we referred to in our reply to your last Address has continued through another year. The spirit of contention has done its work, scattering many thousands of the unwary, who are now separated from our communion. Many of our Ministers have suffered from a heartless persecution; but we

ly trust that this trial is already sanctified to our own good, to the glory of God. We welcome your sympathy, and you for it; and we enjoy the assurance that, in standing by Divine grace, amidst an ungodly and reckless agitation, refusing to allow a worldly expediency to beguile us from discharge of our pastoral duties, we do right. The issue of conflict now remains with God, and we have no fear. He quell tumult. He can restore and save the lost. Never was offered more fervently in our Conference than when His ts were imploring mercy on the deceivers no less than on ceived. We confide in God, the Refuge of the saints, not or defence, but for eventual triumph over the false principles il passions of men; and a sure token of this triumph is the ing influence which we have enjoyed during our devotional s and solemn deliberations.

ar as practicable, we continue to promote "Christian and education." Buildings for a large Normal Institution preparation of Teachers for daily schools have been in the city of Westminster, by the contributions of our people, aided by the liberality of Government, under ions that effectually guard that Institution, and our schools eral, from any control that could interfere, directly or ly, with our religious independence.

vigilance of our Education Committee in respect to schools, and that of another Committee over Catechumen- has not been relaxed; and the intelligence of your prosperity in imparting, by those invaluable means, knowledge to children and youth, and for bringing them aviaour, awakens our thankfulness.

our increase of One Thousand Two Hundred communi- rejoice with you, and render praise to God, trusting that, lded to the church, they will be eternally saved. And u are visiting the aborigines of your country, and follow- settlers to their new abodes, you have our prayers that ssionaries, no less than ours, may be made to triumph in ce. Let us hope that the large addition to your Mis- ncome may betoken the favour of Him who possesses, gives, the silver and the gold. And we are the more to learn that your Missionary contributions have been during the past year; because this increase is not only ice of growing zeal for the salvation of the world, but proof that, by wise arrangement and earnest efforts, our and Congregations in the various colonies might do ore to relieve the Parent Committee, and enable it to e Gospel in regions yet unvisited.

e countenance and support of His Excellency the Earl especially to your Missionary Society, we, also, feel

bound to render our acknowledgment, inasmuch as the ~~assistance~~ given to you is a favour conferred on ourselves. And it is an additional cause of thankfulness to us that, at a time of so much interest to the native tribes in our communion in Canada, the Indian department of Government is placed under the direction of so intelligent and benevolent an officer as the Honourable Colonel Bruce, who has uniformly manifested a lively concern in all that relates to the religious and social improvement of that class of Her Majesty's subjects.

Your persuasion of the necessity of elevating and maintaining the standard of sacred literature, and the zeal which has found its recompense in the advancement of your Book-Room and Tract-Society, render it unnecessary for us to exhort you to perseverance; but it may encourage you to hear that we are not unsuccessful in the same work. We deeply feel the necessity laid on us, while Antinomianism, Rationalism, Popery, and licentiousness, everywhere dispute possession of the press, to labour for the efficiency of our Methodist literature in all its departments. Our Book-Room, too, and our Tract-Society, are in a satisfactory condition.

You refer to the Papal Aggression on the independence of this country, the spread of Popery, and the error of nominal Protestants, whose teaching and practices lead to the same end. This combined heresy is cause of humiliation; and perhaps no body of Christians more strenuously resist Romanism than do the Wesleyans of Great Britain. In petitioning Parliament for legal protection against the political encroachment of the Court of Rome, we have not been last; and, in conjunction with our fellow-Protestants, we now thank God that we have not been altogether unsuccessful. But, for the overthrow of that false religion, our only trust is in the Gospel and Spirit of our Lord Jesus Christ, who shall consume that Lawless one with the Spirit of His mouth, and destroy him with the brightness of His coming. The same enemy is among you. Your peril is scarcely less than ours; but the same God is your refuge and strength.

Persevere, then, dear Brethren, in the work of faith and the labour of love. Know nothing among men but Christ crucified. Preach Christ with simplicity, as the power of God, and the wisdom of God. Cultivate, we respectfully and earnestly entreat you, personal piety. Manifest the fruits of the Holy Spirit. Dread and resist the spirit of the world, in whatever changeable form it shows itself, remembering that the friendship of this world is enmity with God; and stand fast in the liberty wherewith Christ hath made us free. And it will always be our delight to glorify God in you, and to cheer you onward in a career of apostolic toil and success.

Our beloved and valued Brother, and yours, the Rev. Dr. Alder,

faithfully represented you in this Conference, still displaying finished devotion to your interests, as he will no doubt be able to do, as he may have opportunity. After a triple period of service,—*eighteen years*,—he resigns his office as one of the honorary Secretaries, being wishful to devote the remainder of his life to pastoral studies and duties, and possessing our unabated love and confidence. Your honourable mention of him we regard as peculiarly grateful to ourselves.

We are happy to have had the presence of our beloved Brother; late President, the Rev. Dr. Richey, whose services, in relation to the religious and literary interests of your Church, we highly value. Those services have frequently been marked by the highest approbation; and we trust that he may long live to occupy the important station to which he is appointed.

We rejoice, though we are by no means surprised, to learn that our beloved Brother, the Rev. Enoch Wood, to whose judgment and fidelity the Missionary department of the work is so much indebted, has so worthily discharged his Presidential duties as to merit your unanimous request for his re-appointment to that responsible office,—a request with which we most cordially comply. We also re-appoint the Rev. John Ryerson to be Co-Delegate for the next year.

May the Lord ever crown you with His favour; prosper all your institutions; direct and sanction every enterprise which you undertake; sanctify you wholly, in body, soul, and spirit; endue you with renewed power to fulfil your high commission and the kingdom of our ever-blessed Saviour. May it please God to honour, with yet more signal blessings, the union of our churches on earth, so that their members may be mingled with the triumphant in heaven.

Witnessed on behalf and by order of the Conference,

JOHN FARRAR, *Secretary*.

Castle-upon-Tyne, August 16th, 1851.

APPENDIX.

I.

DECLARATION OF THE UNDERSIGNED LAY-MEMBERS OF THE METHODIST SOCIETIES.

MANCHESTER, *July 16th, 1851.*

WE, the undersigned Officers and Members of the Wesleyan-Methodist Society, having been convened by the President of the Conference for the purpose of conferring with him, in friendly conversation, upon various subjects affecting the general interests of the Connexion at the present time, embrace the opportunity of expressing our sentiments on the following subjects.

I. We deeply deplore the measures which have been adopted for the avowed purpose of agitating the various Societies forming our Connexion; measures by which many thousands of our Members have been separated from us, and the character of the Body has been injured; and we declare our conviction that the aspersions which have been cast upon the Conference are false and calumnious.

II. We state it as our deliberate and conscientious opinion, that it is the imperative duty of the Connexion faithfully and steadfastly to adhere to the great and long-established principles of Wesleyan Methodism; and more particularly to those which respect the Constitution of the Conference, which secure our Connexional Union, which provide for the due exercise of the powers of the Pastoral Office, and which guarantee the purity and efficiency of the Christian Ministry, by confiding to the Conference the care of its own members.

III. We most cheerfully and entirely confide in the wisdom, integrity, and liberality of the Conference; and we respectfully request an early consideration of such of the suggestions made at the present Meeting in reference to the Rules of the Body, as the Conference may consider best adapted to meet the present and future circumstances of the Connexion, and to carry out into more effectual and extensive operation those tried principles of Wesleyan Methodism, every departure from which we most sincerely deprecate.

Thomas Exley, M.A., Bristol
Robert Abbott, Alford
F. Riggall, Bristol
William Dingley, Sherborne
Francis Parnell, Manchester
Thomas Cox, Tipton
William Pearce, Poplar, London
William Dyson, Howden
Archibald Vickers, Disley

John Berrie, Manchester
William Willmer Pocock, Seventh London Circuit
Robert Meek, Manchester
Thomas Holmes, Hull
James Meek, York
John Meek, Macclesfield
Thomas Farmer, London
G. R. Chappell, Manchester
Joseph Edge, Burslem

John Burton, Rhodes, near Manchester
George Smith, F.A.S., Camborne
James Wardle, Leek
W. B. Holdsworth, Leeds
Charles Cooper, Manchester
James Fildes, ditto
George Marsden, ditto
T. Percival Bunting, ditto
John D. Burton, ditto

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 Chadwick, York
 Simpson, Chester
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 Linckman, Lytham
 Bates, Birmingham
 Pether Dove, Leeds
 Nuttall, Ripley
 Ald, Manchester
 Fletcher, Sunderland
 Morley, Leeds
 Walker, Stockton
 Gordon Jones, Bradford,
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 John Robinson Kay, Bury
 Francis Sowerby, Grimsby
 Alfred S. Ruston, Chatteris
 Gustavus Jordan, Luton
 Robert Townend, Manchester
 John Chambers, ditto
 George Fishwick, Scorton, near
 Garstang
 Richard Bealey, Radcliffe
 James George Newey, Bir-
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 John Lomas, Manchester
 John Fernley, ditto
 William Burd, ditto
 John Brewer, Walsall
 Thomas Wade, Selby
 J. Vanner, Hackney-Road,
 London
 Joseph Collingham, Lincoln
 Robert Bentley, Hinde-street,
 London
 John Brogden, jun., Hinde-
 street, London

Isaac Hinton Clark, Fourth
 London Circuit
 Richard Ford Sturges, Birming-
 ham
 Clement Heeley, ditto
 George Sercombe, Exeter
 John Napier, Manchester
 John Corderoy, Lambeth
 Robert Bew, Wolverhampton
 William Turner, Derby
 W. Turner Shaw, ditto
 Edward Bowyer, Bowden
 Charles Thomas Bainbridge,
 Easingwold
 Edward Gooddy, Broughton,
 near Manchester
 James Middleton, Smethwick
 Edward Carpenter, Stroud
 Thomas Jerram, Cheltenham
 John Taylor, ditto
 James Garstang, Manchester
 Thomas Pinder, Burslem
 Ralph Wilson, Newcastle-upon-
 Tyne
 Joshua Moorhouse, Holmfirth.

, the undersigned, not having been present at the Meeting
 mentioned, beg leave to express our cordial concurrence
 in the sentiments which the forecited Declaration contains.

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Walter Griffith, London
 P. Brames Hall, Richmond
 Thomas Cardall, Birmingham
 W. W. Williams, London
 John Perks, Wolverhampton
 John Osborn, Rochester
 Charles Cornell, ditto
 Francis Heeley, Birmingham
 John Bliss, Northampton
 Robert Coulson, ditto
 Charles Ireson, ditto
 Thomas Twitchell, Willington,
 near Bedford
 John Hazlehurst, Runcorn
 Thomas Hazlehurst, ditto
 Charles Hazlehurst, ditto
 Henry B. Wake, Goole
 James Wake, ditto
 James Moss, ditto
 Robert Bromley, ditto
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 Henry Fowler, Scarborough
 Robert Fawsitt, ditto
 Robert Hawson, ditto
 Humphry Sandwith, M.D.,
 Hull
 John Lyth, York
 John Stocks, Leeds
 George Smith, Gledhow, near
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 William Tagg, King's-Cross,
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 John Josiah Buttress, Brixton-
 Hill
 John Wingrave, St. Alban's
 John Buttress, Hornsey-Road
 Thomas Knight, Seventh Lon-
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 Francis Shaw, London

James Illingworth, Limehouse
 F. Lycett, First London Circuit
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 Thomas Oliver, Bollington
 William Alcock, Macclefield
 John Birchenall, ditto
 John Chubb, Eighth London
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 William Shipperry, Worthing
 Peter Kruse, Chelsea, London
 Benjamin Pollard, Leeds
 Edward Walker, ditto
 H. B. Legg, ditto
 Robert Fowler, ditto
 Henry Longden, Sheffield
 Thomas Beet, ditto
 Ellis Eyre, ditto
 John Lofthouse, ditto
 Charles Robinson, Acomb, near
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 Charles Welch, Hull
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 Thomas Hine, Stotfold, Bed-
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 William Cock, Methwold
 John Clark, ditto
 George Gaskell, Margate
 William Gaskell, ditto
 Moses Harrison, ditto
 Thomas S. Rowe, ditto
 Daniel Gouger, ditto
 John Twibell, Dodworth, near
 Barnsley
 Richard Ruston, Chatteris
 Richard Moulton, ditto
 John Smallbones, ditto
 Josiah Angood, ditto
 George Breckon, ditto
 Thomas Tillbrook, ditto
 Robert Stratton, ditto
 William Heap, Halifax

E. Hemingway, Halifax
 Samuel Naylor, Southowram
 E. T. Watson, Elland
 Robert Gillespie, Newcastle-on-Tyne
 Thomas Bell, Thirsk
 Thomas J. Foggitt, ditto
 John Fawcitt, ditto
 Thomas B. Cockayne, Sheffield
 Edward Fowler, Market-Raisen
 William Stephenson, ditto
 Michael Robinson, ditto
 James Wallis, ditto
 Richard Wright, ditto
 John Nussey, Birstal
 William Marsland, ditto
 William Pearson, ditto
 Robert Hardey, Hull
 Matthew Hargreaves, ditto
 Edward Baron, ditto
 John Walker, Tunstall
 James P. Budgett, Bradford, Wilts.
 Thomas Morris, Tipton
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 Edward Hipkins, ditto
 John Stokes, Oldbury
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 Samuel Marsh, ditto
 William Roberts, Bloomfield
 Sampson Biddulph, Nottingham
 Henry Carey, ditto
 William Herbert, ditto
 Samuel Sansom, ditto
 William Winfield, ditto
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 Elijah Webdale, ditto
 Richard Robinson, ditto
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 George Hawley, ditto
 Thomas Threethby, ditto
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 George Turner Jerram, Islington, London
 William Nicholson, ditto
 W. Cheney, ditto
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 John Lidgett, London
 John Angrave, Greenwich
 Joshua Monkhouse, Barnard-Castle
 Frederick Ingoldby, Finsbury-square, London
 J. Clulow Rigg, Islington, London
 George Tindall, Fourth London Circuit
 Samuel Jepps, ditto
 Edwin Collins, ditto
 Joseph Parsons, ditto
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 Benjamin R. Vickers, Leeds
 John Kimpster, Gateshead
 George S. Green, Myddelton-square, London
 Robert Gill, Easingwold
 W. W. Tranter, ditto
 Peter Beckwith, ditto
 John Sadler, ditto
 John Driffeld, Easingwold
 James Critchinson, Tholthorpe
 Richard Leak, ditto
 William Sadler, ditto
 Thomas Waites, Carlton
 William Jackson, Huby
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 William Steel, ditto
 George Robson, ditto
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 John Knaggs, ditto
 John Laycock, Keighley
 William Moxon, Pontefract
 John Wordsworth, ditto
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 W. G. Dawson, ditto
 Joseph Scales, ditto
 Benjamin Taylor, ditto
 William Piper, ditto
 John Turner, jun., ditto
 John Johnson, ditto
 Joseph Tasker, ditto
 James Wetherell, Howden
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 Joseph Thackray, Leeds
 Griffith Cullingworth, ditto
 George Reinhardt, ditto
 James Craven, ditto
 Robert Dewsbury, ditto
 Cornelius Smith, ditto
 Thomas Newsam, ditto
 Richard C. Driver, ditto
 John Patrick, ditto
 William Woodson, ditto
 George Summerson, ditto
 Edward Levi, Stourbridge
 Henry Hawkins, Burton-on-Trent
 Thomas P. Sutcliffe, Halifax
 W. W. Bailey, Kilburn, Belper
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 John Treverton, ditto
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 Joseph Oke, ditto
 J. M. H. Cardell, ditto
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 John S. Pethybridge, ditto
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 Francis Follows, Macclesfield
 Thomas Allen, ditto
 Samuel Wood, ditto
 Abraham Bishop, Guernsey
 William C. Webb, Newport, Monmouthshire
 William Rabbitta, Frome, Somerset
 W. Brock, Exeter
 John Chubb, Stoke-Newington
 Peter Young, ditto
 John Griffin, ditto
 Thomas J. Taylor, ditto
 William B. Groves, Newport, Isle of Wight
 Joseph Groves, ditto
 James Kelleway, ditto
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 Thomas Cooper, Woolton, ditto
 James Hollis, Cowes, ditto
 Thomas Stanley, Newcastle-on-Tyne
 Thomas Garland, Redruth
 John Allen, Plymouth
 John Pope, ditto
 W. Matthews, ditto
 John Early, Witney
 Samuel Lea, ditto
 Richard Early, ditto

William Marriott, Witney
 Charles Early, ditto
 John Vanner, jun., Hackney-Road, London
 Thomas Sercombe, Exeter
 Solomon Mease, North-Shields
 John Potter, ditto
 J. N. Bywater, Leeds
 John Raynar, ditto
 John N. Brigg, ditto
 John W. Gatecliff, ditto
 William Kemp, ditto
 Edward Joye, ditto
 George Bagnall, Carmarthen
 John Yewdall, Rawdon, near Leeds
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 Richard Allen, ditto
 John Road, ditto
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 John Rees, ditto
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 Isaac Stephens, ditto
 George Llewellyn, ditto
 Thomas Jenkins, ditto
 John Davies, ditto
 George Warren, ditto
 Griffith Williams, ditto
 Edward M'Lany, ditto
 Peter Hancock, ditto
 Thomas S. Phillips, ditto
 John Metcalfe, Pateley-Bridge
 William Lupton, ditto
 Thomas Kettlewell, ditto
 Walter Bland, ditto
 T. R. Bradnack, Great Yarmouth
 John Jackson, Lynn
 John Learmouth, ditto
 Ebenezer Cooper, ditto
 George Cooper, ditto
 James Burch, ditto
 Joseph Linay, ditto
 Joshua Moss, Sheffield
 Joseph Page, Norwich
 Charles Franklin, ditto
 Thomas Speeding, Monkwearmouth
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 W. R. Johnson, Manchester
 George Corderoy, Hinde-Street, London
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 Joseph Dixon, Barnard-Castle
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 Joseph Marsden, ditto
 John Higgs Maidenhead
 H. Armstrong, Holloway, London
 Robert Chadwick, Derby
 J. W. Lamplough, ditto
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 Nathaniel Lomas, Bristol
 James Budgett, Paulton
 W. Gilyard Scarth, Cheltenham
 Thomas Hollwey, Midsomer-
 Norton
 William James Smith, ditto
 Edmund Mattick, ditto
 John Smith, ditto
 Thomas Sercombe, Exeter
 A. Aglen, Shepton-Mallet
 Thomas S. Foxwell, ditto
 John Wason, ditto
 Benjamin Padfield, Holcombe
 George Fox, Shepton-Mallet
 Richard Burdekin, York
 Francis Taylor, ditto
 Isaac Taylor, ditto
 William Lawson, ditto
 William Stables, Wetherby
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 John Scott, ditto
 Thomas Field Gilbert, Bristol
 David Price, ditto
 John Shelton, Nottingham
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 James Heald, Parr's-Wood,
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 Robert White, Nottingham
 Henry Kirkland, ditto
 John Howitt, ditto
 Joseph Raynes, ditto
 John Windley, ditto
 John Hartley, Wolverhampton
 James Frost, Wednesbury
 John Southam, ditto
 Richard Dodd, ditto
 John Rollason, ditto
 Edward Caddick, ditto
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 Henry Mills, ditto
 William Millington, ditto
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 William Fisher, ditto
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 Joshua Bryant, ditto
 Stephen Hill, Hultoft
 J. A. Matthews, Trusthorpe
 Joseph Hill, ditto
 James Ryall Webb, Stroud
 George King, ditto
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 Nathaniel Hooper, ditto
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 James Hardy, ditto
 Thomas Allsopp, ditto
 William Perks, Birmingham
 William Perks, jun., ditto
 Alexander Cartwright, ditto
 John Dyer, Trowbridge, Wilts.
 Edward Dyer, ditto
 Henry Walker, Wednesbury
 Shadrach Tabbot, ditto
 Edward Forrest, ditto
 George German, Derby
 John Sowter, ditto
 James Wainwright, Howden
 James Lawson, Leeds
 W. W. Myers, ditto
 John M. Camplin, London
 John H. Mason, Newbury
 Henry H. Mason, ditto
 John Tasker, Skipton
 A. Knight, Walworth
 John Fulford, Liverpool, South
 William Budgett, Shrewsbury
 David M'Nicol, M.D., Liver-
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 Samuel Buckland, Newington-
 Butts
 John Bate, Faversham
 George Galloway, Inverness
 Nicholas Stapleton, Landrake,
 Cornwall.

The following signatures were also appended to the Declaration soon after it was issued, but by an oversight not printed in the edition of the Minutes issued immediately after the Conference. It has been deemed proper to place them in this edition.

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 Jones, John, Sheffield
 Kimpster, Joseph, Gateshead
 Knowles, George, Bolton
 Mackie, Robert, Wakefield
 Mallinson, M. J., Dewsbury
 Meek, Benjamin, Preston
 Nightingale, Charles, Rotherham
 Platt, J., Nantwich
 Sands, Thomas, Liverpool
 Sargent, James, Macclesfield
 Skilbeck, Thomas, Bilton, near
 Boroughbridge

Smith, Edward, Madeley
 Smith, George, Darcey-Lever,
 near Bolton
 Smith, Joseph, Penketh, near
 Warrington
 Smith, Robert, Manchester
 Thompson, Samuel, Cromford
 Turner, George, M.D., Stock-
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 Walker, William, Bolton
 Whitwell, Mark, Bristol
 Wood, Peter, M.D., Man-
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II.

RESOLUTIONS OF THE COMMITTEE OF PRIVILEGES ON THE RECENT AGGRESSION OF THE POPE.

AT A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE WESLEYAN-METHODIST COMMITTEE OF PRIVILEGES, HELD AT THE WESLEYAN CENTENARY-HALL AND MISSION-HOUSE, BISHOPSGATE-STREET-WITHIN, LONDON, NOVEMBER 21ST, AND, BY ADJOURNMENT, ON NOVEMBER 22D, 1850, AND VERY NUMEROUSLY ATTENDED BY MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE FROM VARIOUS PARTS OF ENGLAND:

THE REV. DR. BEECHAM, PRESIDENT OF THE CONFERENCE, IN THE CHAIR :

ON the motion of the REV. JOHN SCOTT, of London ; seconded by J. ROBINSON KAY, Esq., of Bury ; supported by THOMAS FARMER, Esq., of London, and by the REV. DR. HANNAH, Secretary of the Conference,

The following Resolutions were unanimously adopted :—

I. That, in common with their fellow-Protestants throughout the United Kingdom, the Members of this Meeting have observed with surprise and indignation the recent change in the system of the Romish ecclesiastical polity in England ; whereby, instead of Vicars-Apostolic, appointed by the Pope, and removable at his pleasure,—as in countries where Roman Catholic Missions are carried on,—a Hierarchy is created, with the privilege of canonical election, with territorial jurisdiction, and with titles derived from English cities and towns ; by which proceeding this country is again exhibited as a regularly-organized province of the Church of Rome.

II. That, in the judgment of this Committee, the document from Rome, in which this change is promulgated and enjoined, obviously violates a fundamental principle of British law. The constitutional supremacy of the Crown has always been understood to preclude the exercise of dominion and authority over British subjects in these realms by any foreign Prince or Potentate. From ancient times this principle has been strongly asserted by Englishmen ; and, though more recent legislation has repealed the extreme penalty of the law, it is still recognised as an offence to bring in, or put in use or execution, the Bulls of the Bishop of Rome. Under any circumstances it would be undeniably culpable, on the part of British subjects, to acknowledge the Sovereign of another State as the fountain of honour and authority in this kingdom : but such recognition is especially to be condemned where the foreign Sovereign claims to be supreme over all others, and is ever seeking

to build up a secular dominion by means of a spiritual organization ; and where, as in this free and favoured land, the rightful Monarch reserves the possession of royal power to her declared adherence to the principles of the Reformation.

III. The offensive character of the proceedings in question is enhanced by the fact, that the Hierarchy now to be established is placed under the government of a Cardinal ; who is, as such, a Prince of the Roman Church, and a Councillor and Assessor of the Pontiff, and who must be presumed to have taken an oath to defend the rights of the Pope as his Sovereign.

IV. A further aggravation of the evil is found in the alleged necessity of the recent alteration, in order to the formal introduction of the Romish canon law ; which both the Cardinal-Archbishop and his suffragan Bishops, as Prelates of the Church of Rome, will be enabled and bound to administer in their several dioceses. Avowing an intention to “ govern ” the several districts of this country “ without personal limitations ” on that iniquitous system, the persons do in effect declare war against those religious rights and liberties which are dear to all classes of British Christians, the maintenance of which forms the best security for the future prosperity of the country.

Nor does it at all abate the dissatisfaction and solicitude with which the Committee regards these proceedings, to find it alleged that the Church of Rome hereby claims only the same authority which other Nonconforming communities are permitted freely to exercise, and which the Wesleyan body in particular is said to have long employed for its own purposes. Were the claims of Romish Bishops to jurisdiction restricted to those persons who voluntarily submit to them, and for so long time only as they choose to submit,—as is necessarily the case with Protestant Nonconformists,—the force of this consideration would be diminished. But to give formal expression to such limitations, even if they were sincerely contemplated, would be to abandon those pretensions to universal supremacy which Rome has for many centuries maintained, and which she must of necessity maintain. No amount of industry can bring the people of England to identify systems which encourage the free circulation and use of Holy Scripture, and are based upon the right of private judgment, and have long been historically associated with the progress of civil and religious liberty,—with a system which sternly denies that sacred right, and which the practical operation has ever been found inimical to the religious and social well-being of the countries where it has prevailed. A broad, clear, and unmistakable distinction exists, and must ever be recognised, between those subjects of the British Crown who, owing no allegiance to a foreign power, and claiming no religious authority except within the limits of their own voluntary association, gladly recognise the labours and rejoice in the usefulness

of other Christians holding the same fundamental truth with themselves; and those whose religion, while it binds them to a foreign Prince as head of their Church, claims for that Church the exclusive possession of the truth, asserts its jurisdiction over all baptized persons, and refuses recognition and fellowship to all who are not within its pale.

VI. That a Memorial embodying these Resolutions be presented to the Queen, assuring Her Most Gracious Majesty of the fervent and loyal attachment of the Wesleyan Methodists to Her person, throne, and constitutional authority, and conveying the expression of our earnest hope that Her Majesty's advisers, having had their attention directed to the subject, will deal effectually with it; and that, if it should be found that existing laws are inadequate for the purpose, application will be made to Parliament for such powers as may enable the Executive Government to maintain unimpaired the supremacy of the Sovereign in her own dominions, and to guard the national Protestantism against the present and all future encroachments. In this hope, which the Committee is greatly encouraged to entertain by the manly and truly Protestant sentiments recently avowed by the First Lord of the Treasury, the Committee forbears *for the present* to recommend any further measures to be taken by the Wesleyan-Methodist Societies at large, in their *distinctive* character, and respectfully advises them to join in any wise and well-considered movements which may be originated in their several localities.

VII. This Committee, having been called together on an occasion arising out of the vaunted growth of Romanism in this country, is unwilling to separate without directing attention to the subject in a still more important aspect than that to which the preceding Resolutions refer. It is highly improbable that the Court of Rome would have ventured upon its recent measures, but for a serious increase in the number of its adherents during the last half-century, and a marked development of Romish principles and tendencies among those who have not joined that apostate Church. Without inquiring at present into the cause of such a state of things, the Committee may be allowed to express deep regret that it should be in any degree attributable to some members of the Established Church of England; and particularly to those Ministers who share its honours and emoluments, while they neither teach its Protestant doctrines, nor exemplify the simplicity of its ritual in their mode of conducting Divine worship. But the fact of such increase both in Great Britain and the Colonies, (to whatever causes attributable,) being patent and undeniable, constitutes an urgent demand upon all who value the truth as it is in Jesus to lay aside indifference, and all petty jealousies and animosities, and to combine their energies for the defence and propagation of the Gospel. It is not merely as the enemy of religious liberty and

social progress that Romanism requires to be watched and counter-acted; but as a system alike dishonouring to the “one Mediator between God and men,” and adverse to peace and holiness. Most earnestly, therefore, does the Committee exhort and entreat those with whom it is officially connected to “stand fast in one spirit,” and, being “in nothing terrified by the adversaries,” to “strive together for the faith of the Gospel.”

Moved by the REV. DR. BUNTING; seconded by the REV. THOMAS JACKSON, of Richmond,—

VIII. That the above Resolutions be published and circulated at the discretion of the Secretaries.

Signed, on behalf of the Committee,

JOHN BEECHAM,

President of the Conference, and Chairman of the Committee.

Moved by the REV. DR. ALDER, seconded by THOMAS WALKER, Esq., of Cheltenham, and carried unanimously,—

That the best thanks of this Meeting be presented to the REV. the PRESIDENT of the CONFERENCE, for convening this Meeting, and for the kindness and ability with which he has conducted its proceedings.

CHARLES PREST, }
THOMAS VASEY, } *Secretaries.*

III.

ACCOUNTS OF THE CONTINGENT FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDING AT THE CONFERENCE OF 1851.

1.—ORDINARIES.

CIRCUITS.	Nos.	Yearly Collection.			Grants.			July Collection.		
		£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
<i>I. London District.</i>										
First London.....	2286	70	0	0				53	10	6
Richmond.....	140	6	16	6				5	14	7
Uxbridge.....	98	1	10	0				1	6	2
Second London.....	1331	38	0	0				20	0	0
Third London and Thames Mission.....	1423	32	0	0				31	5	11
Fourth London.....	1234	26	15	0				15	12	3
Fifth London.....	1685	50	10	0				39	8	0
Sixth London.....	1668	21	11	4				22	6	2
Seventh London.....	653	18	10	0				14	4	6
Eighth London.....	1586	62	4	0				44	17	6
Deptford.....	473	12	13	6				8	2	0
Woolwich.....	555	12	13	0				7	10	0
Hammersmith.....	585	18	10	6				18	9	0
Croydon.....	308	6	4	0	27	0	0	5	1	0
Barking, &c.....	132	2	5	0	36	0	0	4	0	0
Leyton.....	83	2	0	0	27	0	0	1	12	0
Ware, &c.....	210	4	5	6	58	0	0	4	7	1
Cambridge.....	430	9	0	0				11	0	0
Windsor.....	320	9	10	0	30	0	0	7	10	0
Chelmsford.....	236	5	15	0	38	0	0	3	16	4
Maldon.....	230	3	15	6	58	0	0	3	11	0
Colchester.....	506	10	0	0				9	6	1
Manningtree.....	1004	18	10	0	25	0	0	7	13	6
Ipswich.....	495	4	10	0	20	0	0	4	12	10
Hastings.....	450	10	1	0	26	0	0	9	8	10
Sevenoaks.....	285	8	5	6				7	8	6
Tunbridge-Wells.....	490	12	12	0	35	0	0	11	12	0
Lewes, &c.....	162	4	0	6	35	0	0	4	9	8
Brighton.....	598	17	10	0				17	14	9
St. Alban's.....	530	7	10	0	59	0	0	6	10	0
Guildford, &c.....	247	7	10	0	135	0	0	6	9	0
Dorking, &c.....	120	2	6	6	150	0	0	2	16	6
Additional Subscriptions of Ministers and Stewards..		152	17	10						
Totals.....	20553	670	2	2	759	0	0	411	5	8
<i>II. Bedford and Northamp- ton District.</i>										
Bedford and Ampthill....	1063	22	0	0				16	5	0
Leighton-Buzzard.....	1026	16	10	0				9	0	0
Luton.....	1007	20	0	0				14	0	0
Dunstable.....	1046	23	10	0				10	5	0
St. Neot's.....	550	8	10	0				7	3	6
Biggleswade.....	532	8	10	0	24	0	0	9	0	3

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		£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
Hitchin	200	4	0	0				4	5	0
Huntingdon	775	8	15	0	28	0	0	7	7	0
Northampton	1086	18	17	5				8	14	10
Towcester	510	5	0	0	26	0	0	2	18	0
Daventry	612	9	0	0	40	0	0	6	0	0
Newport-Pagnell	329	4	10	0	70	10	0	3	3	0
Higham-Ferrers	857	4	10	0				2	18	0
Wellingborough	284	4	10	0	10	0	0	2	6	0
Kettering	215	8	5	0	4	15	0	3	5	0
Market-Harborough	171	8	5	0	72	15	0	2	15	0
Chatteris	897	5	0	0				4	0	0
Oundle	268	5	16	0	34	13	1	2	14	0
Additional Subscriptions..		4	5	0						
Totals	10428	179	13	5	310	13	1	115	19	7
III. Kent District.										
Canterbury	579	12	5	0	40	0	0	7	3	3
Faversham	422	7	10	0	40	0	0	5	17	6
Rochester	1008	12	6	1				6	10	0
Gravesend	439	11	2	0	40	0	0	11	15	2
Sheerness	826	4	12	3				2	12	0
Margate	698	20	13	0				12	0	0
Dover	804	16	0	0	40	0	0	9	17	2
Deal	246	6	8	0	18	0	0	4	2	0
Rye	419	8	16	0	10	0	0	5	1	0
Tenterden	386	5	10	0	57	0	0	4	0	0
Ashford	316	4	5	6	32	0	0	2	10	0
Sandhurst	620	10	0	0	40	0	0	6	0	0
Maidstone	426	8	8	0				7	0	0
Sittingbourne	298	4	7	2	18	0	0	3	6	0
Additional Subscriptions by Ministers		25	15	10						
Totals	6987	157	18	10	335	0	0	87	14	1
IV. Norwich & Lynn District.										
Norwich	260	6	0	0	24	0	0	4	14	9
Bungay	283	4	0	0	51	0	0	2	16	6
North-Walsham	350	5	12	0	20	0	0	5	0	0
Yarmouth	331	7	13	6	24	0	0	6	0	7
Lowestoff	350	6	0	0				4	10	0
Framlingham	311	2	5	0	7	0	0	2	12	0
Diss	516	8	10	0				6	15	0
New-Buckenham	330	3	13	10				3	2	0
Bury St. Edmund's	207	4	11	8	57	0	0	3	7	6
Holt	50	0	15	0	21	6	8	1	1	6
Lynn	554	12	0	0				6	15	0
Swaffham	300	3	0	0	15	0	0	2	16	0
Downham	324	3	0	0	40	0	0	3	2	6
Walsingham	442	6	10	0				4	3	0
Wisbeach	440	3	15	0				4	10	0
Thetford	609	10	10	9	40	0	0	7	2	6
Mildenhall	467	5	0	0	15	0	0	4	14	0
Ely	544	8	10	0				6	0	0
Additional Subscriptions by Ministers and Stewards		9	15	0						
Totals	6668	111	1	9	314	6	8	79	2	10

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			£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
V. Oxford District.											
Oxford	460	8	0	0	21	10	0	5	15	0	
High-Wycombe	410	6	10	0				4	4	0	
Aylesbury	651	6	15	0				6	3	0	
Witney	560	9	10	0	33	10	0	7	15	0	
Banbury	642	9	10	0				6	6	4	
Kinerton.....	276	4	18	0	10	0	0	2	14	0	
Newbury	578	14	1	9				11	4	2	
Reading.....	230	6	11	0	80	0	0	5	0	0	
Hungerford	739	11	0	0				9	8	0	
Watlington	196	2	18	0	20	0	0	3	2	0	
Thame	143	2	12	6	30	0	0	2	2	6	
Brackley	643	7	10	0	20	0	0	4	15	0	
Chipping-Norton	389	4	10	0	20	0	0	3	15	0	
Swindon.....	269	4	15	0	65	0	0	4	18	6	
Wantage	444	8	15	6	65	0	0	7	14	0	
Additional Subscriptions ..		9	0	2							
Totals	6630	116	16	11	365	0	0	84	16	6	
VI. Portsmouth District.											
Portsmouth	896	18	4	10				10	19	10	
Gosport	164	3	16	0	34	0	0	1	17	6	
Salisbury	773	9	0	0				9	5	0	
Poole	586	9	0	0	35	0	0	6	9	0	
Wimborne.....	388	7	0	0				5	7	0	
Ringwood	144	2	12	0	55	0	0	1	16	8	
Newport, Isle of Wight ..	623	10	0	0				7	0	0	
Southampton, &c.....	608	17	10	0	15	0	0	14	7	1	
Andover	373	6	0	0	76	0	0	2	2	0	
Chichester.....	148	4	0	0	40	0	0	5	2	0	
Totals	4703	87	2	10	255	0	0	64	6	1	
VII. Guernsey District.											
Guernsey, English	428	14	0	0				3	6	0	
Guernsey, French	1036	13	5	0				6	1	0	
Alderney, English	25	}	2	5	32	0	0	0	6	6	
Alderney, French.....	53										
Jersey, English	810	10	7	4	40	0	0	4	10	9	
Jersey, French (St. Helier's)	897	14	0	0				6	9	10	
Jersey, French (St. Peter's)	412	5	0	0				2	0	0	
Additional Subscriptions ..		2	12	8							
Totals	3161	61	10	0	72	0	0	22	14	1	
VIII. Devonport District.											
Devonport	969	17	10	0				9	5	0	
Plymouth	1026	23	10	0				12	0	7	
Launceston	1040	17	0	0				5	10	0	
Holsworthy	536	7	5	0				2	15	0	
Kilhampton	400	5	5	0	2	18	6	3	12	6	
Liskeard	700	9	0	0				3	0	0	
Callington	578	7	0	0				3	15	0	
Tavistock	780	9	10	0	14	12	6	5	0	0	
Camelford	350	6	10	0	58	10	0	4	1	0	
Kingsbridge	282	5	10	0	24	7	6	4	12	0	
Brixham	170	2	10	0	39	0	0	2	14	8	
Ashburton.....	279	6	8	0	75	1	6	3	10	0	
Additional Subscriptions ..		8	17	6							
Totals	7105	125	15	6	214	10	0	59	15	9	

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		£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
IX. Cornwall District.										
Redruth.....	1901	12	0	0				4	16	0
Camborne	1915	18	5	0				6	5	0
Falmouth	1183	13	10	0				6	10	0
Truro.....	1700	23	0	0				9	0	0
Gwennap	2022	6	0	0	40	0	0	2	0	0
St. Agnes	1118	7	15	0				3	10	0
St. Austle	1331	16	0	0	35	0	0	9	6	4
St. Mawes.....	318	4	0	0	10	0	0	2	16	0
Bodmin	805	14	0	0				5	0	0
St. Columb	600	3	0	0	20	0	0	2	0	0
Penzance	1500	26	10	0				9	10	8
St. Just	1535	24	0	0				5	15	0
St. Ives	780	11	5	0				4	12	0
Scilly Islands	114	4	0	0				2	10	0
Helstone	1631	12	6	0	40	0	0	5	11	8
Hayle	1183	15	5	0	26	0	0	5	10	0
Marazion	652	6	0	0	30	0	0	3	0	0
Additional Subscriptions ..		41	18	7						
Totals	20283	258	14	7	201	0	0	87	12	8
X. Exeter District.										
Exeter	647	12	0	0				5	18	11
Crediton	70	1	11	0	53	6	8	1	3	11
Tiverton.....	298	5	7	0	52	0	0	5	0	0
Taunton, &c.	626	15	3	0				7	15	0
Bridgewater	330	7	3	0	17	10	8	3	5	0
South-Petherton	384	6	2	6	35	0	0	4	8	6
Axminster.....	134	3	0	0	15	15	0	0	19	0
Budleigh-Salterton	331	5	10	0	33	6	8	2	7	3
Bridport.....	407	8	2	6	40	0	0	5	12	0
Barnstaple.....	524	7	15	6	40	0	0	5	15	0
South-Moulton.....	358	4	5	0	27	1	4	3	7	0
Bideford	728	9	0	0				6	10	0
Dunster.....	272	7	0	0				4	1	2
Oakhampton.....	217	3	11	10	44	14	8	2	5	0
Teignmouth	368	8	2	6	125	14	0	6	8	6
Totals	5694	103	13	10	484	9	0	64	16	3
XI. Bristol District.										
Bristol, North	950	45	3	6				15	7	0
Bristol, South	645	21	10	0				8	12	11
Kingswood	270	8	5	0				4	4	9
Banwell.....	570	8	0	0	27	0	0	6	10	0
Stroud	514	9	10	0	49	0	0	7	10	0
Dursley	418	7	12	0	60	0	0	6	8	0
Downend	404	4	10	0	40	0	0	3	7	4
Gloucester.....	382	8	0	0	35	0	0	8	1	0
Tewkesbury	297	6	4	0	48	0	0	4	4	0
Cheltenham	630	26	0	0	40	0	0	15	6	0
Newport, Monmouth	651	16	10	0				9	2	3
Cardiff	445	12	9	4	27	0	0	9	0	0
Bridgend	195	4	4	0	22	0	0	2	0	0
Monmouth	451	5	10	0	71	0	0	3	14	0

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		£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
Abergavenny & Pontypool	1050	12	0	0				9	1	6
Ledbury	335	3	13	0	50	0	0	2	8	2
Forest of Dean	94	1	2	6	54	0	0	1	0	0
Hereford	302	5	0	0	37	0	0	3	10	0
Additional Subscriptions ..		61	16	3						
Totals	8603	266	19	7	560	0	0	119	6	11
XII. Bath District.										
Bath	603	17	0	0				10	12	0
Bradford, Wilts.....	654	11	0	0				7	0	0
Midsomer-Norton.....	1221	16	0	0				10	2	6
Frome	450	4	1	0				4	16	6
Warminster	75	1	5	3	60	0	0	0	13	6
Melksham	560	7	5	0	35	0	0	7	2	0
Devizes	176	2	0	0	48	0	0	2	0	0
Shepton-Mallet.....	913	10	2	6				5	5	0
Castle-Carey	237	2	4	0				1	6	4
Sherborne	601	11	5	2				7	7	0
Weymouth	519	13	13	0				7	10	6
Dorchester.....	430	9	2	6	28	0	0	3	2	6
Shaftesbury	765	10	10	0				6	2	6
Glastonbury	280	5	5	0	26	0	0	2	12	6
Additional Subscriptions by Ministers and Stewards..		29	1	9						
Totals	7484	149	15	2	197	0	0	75	12	10
XIII. First South Wales District. (English Preaching.)										
Swansea.....	486	12	0	0	30	0	0	9	5	0
Merthyr-Tydvil	1102	17	0	0				9	0	0
Brecon	220	7	0	0	32	0	0	4	5	0
Carmarthen	225	14	0	0	55	0	0	5	0	0
Haverford-West	617	8	0	0				6	17	3
Pembroke	641	8	15	0	22	0	0	5	15	0
Totals	3291	66	15	0	139	0	0	40	2	3
XIV. Second South Wales District. (Welsh Preaching.)										
Merthyr-Tydvil	665	11	11	3				2	0	0
Crickhowell	579	10	15	0				3	0	0
Cardiff	236	5	5	0	41	16	0	1	13	0
Cowbridge	170	2	16	0	26	6	0	1	1	0
Brecon	152	3	15	0	31	6	0	1	10	0
Llandilo.....	187	4	7	6	29	3	0	1	5	6
Carmarthen	411	6	16	0	43	16	0	3	4	6
Swansea	241	5	5	0	15	4	0	1	11	6
Lampeter and Cardigan ..	454	6	4	0	55	2	0	1	3	6
St. David's	99	2	15	6	48	13	0	0	16	0
Aberystwith	629	9	16	0				1	10	0
Machynlleth	428	5	12	6	30	10	0	1	6	6
Llanidloes	345	5	10	0	65	4	0	1	15	0
Totals	4596	80	8	9	387	0	0	21	16	6

CIRCUITS.		Yearly Collection.			Grants.			July Collection.		
	Nos.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
XV. North Wales District.										
<i>(Welsh Preaching.)</i>										
Ruthin and Denbigh	584	8	10	0	34	0	0	2	3	0
Llangollen	448	5	1	0	12	0	0	2	0	0
Corwen	186	2	11	0	52	0	0	0	17	0
Llanrwst	692	9	5	0	47	0	0	2	8	0
Holywell	810	8	2	6	28	2	6	2	10	0
Mold	421	6	12	0	19	0	0	2	3	0
Llanasa, near Holywell ..	465	5	4	0				1	11	0
Beaumaris	445	5	10	6	18	14	0	1	7	0
Amlwch	590	6	9	0	12	9	0	1	5	0
Carnarvon	360	3	17	0				1	8	0
Bangor	501	5	14	6	11	9	6	1	14	0
Pwllheli	373	3	12	0	46	0	0	1	8	0
Barmouth	361	5	3	0	20	0	0	1	2	0
Dolgelly	488	5	6	0	30	0	0	1	6	0
Llanfyllin	620	11	0	0				2	2	0
Llanfair	263	5	0	0	19	10	0	1	14	0
Totals	7607	96	17	6	350	5	0	26	18	0
XVI. Birmingham and Shrewsbury District.										
Birmingham, West	1529	41	8	0	40	0	0	25	8	7
Birmingham, East	1104	23	15	0				16	13	0
West-Bromwich	662	18	0	0				15	4	6
Wednesbury	2401	46	10	0				31	10	0
Walsall	774	15	2	0	40	0	0	15	1	7
Wolverhampton	1519	35	0	0				33	11	6
Dudley	1748	33	5	0				28	0	0
Stourbridge	714	13	0	0	58	0	0	10	0	0
Stourport	615	11	1	6	10	0	0	8	14	4
Worcester	377	8	10	0	58	0	0	5	11	4
Bromsgrove	184	3	7	6	46	0	0	2	1	6
Evesham	360	6	10	0	30	0	0	6	1	6
Redditch	441	7	18	6				5	14	0
Coventry	300	5	11	0	65	0	0	3	0	0
Leamington	353	8	2	6	40	0	0	6	12	6
Stratford-upon-Avon	156	1	17	0	33	0	0	2	2	0
Hinckley	670	7	3	0				6	6	0
Shrewsbury	330	9	2	0	72	0	0	5	11	3
Madeley	1104	20	5	0	40	0	0	14	10	0
Wellington	943	10	0	0				9	5	0
Ludlow	544	5	12	6	50	0	0	3	16	0
Kington	380	6	10	0	30	0	0	5	1	3
Additional Subscriptions ..		34	15	0						
Totals	17208	372	5	6	612	0	0	259	15	10
XVII. Macclesfield District.										
Macclesfield	1680	42	0	0				14	10	0
Buxton	500	10	0	0	58	0	0	5	8	6
Congleton	1033	17	15	0				7	10	0
Namptwich and Crewe	600	10	0	0	42	0	0	7	12	0
Northwich	688	16	0	0				11	5	0
Burslem	1000	24	0	0				8	13	0
Tunstall	977	15	10	0				5	15	0
Newcastle-under-Lyne ..	664	8	10	0	10	0	0	5	5	0
Longton	373	7	0	0	35	0	0	3	10	7
Stafford	300	7	7	0	65	0	0	4	4	0

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		£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
Leek	1034	24	3	6				13	0	0
Uttoxeter	540	9	0	0				7	0	0
Cheadle	221	2	14	6	22	0	0	2	9	6
Additional Subscriptions ..		10	1	6						
Totals.....	9610	204	1	6	232	0	0	96	2	7
XVIII. Liverpool District.										
Liverpool, North	1457	60	0	0				33	8	9
Liverpool, South	1752	67	0	0				36	15	4
Liverpool, Welsh	607	12	0	0				4	0	0
Chester	881	20	0	0				11	10	0
Mold and Buckley-Mount	122	2	0	0	35	0	0	1	9	0
Carnarvon and Bangor....	37	1	5	6	56	5	6	1	7	10
Holyhead	54	1	5	0	49	17	6	1	2	0
Wrexham	389	6	1	6	24	8	6	6	0	0
Whitchurch	480	8	10	0				7	0	0
Warrington	446	13	3	0	40	0	0	11	0	0
Runcorn	649	16	0	0				5	3	0
St. Helen's and Prescot ..	544	12	10	4	50	0	0	9	9	1
Southport and Ormskirk..	363	10	0	0	79	5	0	10	11	6
Wigan	543	9	6	0	20	0	0	6	12	6
Preston and Chorley.....	1193	20	0	0				20	0	0
Garstang	510	8	0	0	24	0	0	3	11	0
Lancaster	430	9	2	0	10	0	0	6	0	0
Newtown	642	8	0	0	40	0	0	6	0	0
Special Donations.....		40	5	0						
Totals.....	11099	324	8	4	428	16	6	181	0	0
XIX. Manchester & Bolton District.										
First Manchester	1309	55	0	0				31	9	1
Second Manchester	1611	53	0	0				27	4	6
Third Manchester.....	1013	35	0	0				14	10	6
Fourth Manchester	851	27	5	0				12	5	0
Manchester, Welsh	180	3	5	0	18	0	0	0	15	0
Fifth Manchester	1160	60	0	0				31	14	0
Altrincham	490	14	1	4				9	13	3
Stockport, North	885	26	13	0				12	6	7
Stockport, South	703	14	14	0				6	13	2
New-Mills.....	420	20	0	0	35	0	0	4	11	5
Glossop	621	8	0	0	24	0	0	4	2	0
Ashton-under-Lyne.....	959	16	10	0	53	0	0	10	1	6
Oldham	725	12	15	0				14	14	10
Delph, Saddleworth	128	3	10	0	35	0	0	1	19	6
Bolton	1990	50	10	0				26	4	1
Rochdale	1088	18	5	0				11	16	0
Burnley	1121	25	4	0				11	18	6
Bury	893	21	0	0				10	10	0
Blackburn	535	10	10	0				6	10	0
Haslingden	901	11	10	0				8	1	0
Bacup	1503	22	10	0				9	8	0
Colne.....	577	8	0	0	35	0	0	5	15	0
Clitheroe	508	9	17	0	17	10	0	4	4	10
Leigh.....	400	6	0	0	8	10	0	5	5	0
Allowed to a newly-married Minister					6	0	0			
Totals	20571	532	19	4	232	0	0	281	12	9

CIRCUITS.		Yearly			Grants.			July			
		Nos.	Collection.						Collection.		
			£.	s.	d.				£.	s.	d.
XX. Halifax and Bradford District.											
Halifax	1204	24	0	0				13	5	9	
Huddersfield, First	1273	20	0	0				11	6	0	
Huddersfield, Second	872	15	0	0	35	0	0	8	16	10	
Holmfirth	515	5	14	0				4	0	0	
Sowerby-Bridge	914	13	0	0				9	0	0	
Todmorden	1342	11	5	0				6	18	0	
Denby-Dale	287	2	5	0				1	13	0	
Bradford, West	1483	35	8	0				18	10	5	
Bradford, East	1536	23	5	0				16	10	0	
Great-Horton	790	5	2	0				5	0	0	
Keighley	1782	22	13	0				13	10	0	
Bingley	1100	9	0	0				6	10	0	
Shipley	306	4	16	0				1	19	4	
Skipton	564	7	0	0	54	0	0	4	16	0	
Addingham	764	8	1	6	40	0	0	4	0	10	
Grassington	340	3	3	0	34	0	0	1	7	1	
Settle	338	3	10	0	38	0	0	2	3	8	
Special Donations		50	2	0							
Totals	15410	263	4	6	201	0	0	129	6	11	
XXI. Leeds District.											
First Leeds	1584	70	0	0				17	5	5	
Second Leeds	1793	70	0	0				22	15	0	
Third Leeds	1469	32	10	0				11	0	0	
Fourth Leeds	1310	31	0	0				10	17	3	
Bramley	900	10	14	6				4	8	9	
Wakefield	936	18	0	1				11	10	6	
Birstal	1031	17	9	0				11	13	9	
Dewsbury	1323	17	0	0				11	2	6	
Knaresborough	891	17	0	0				10	4	0	
Otley	854	12	13	0				6	3	10	
Pateley-Bridge	1031	10	0	0	12	0	0	6	7	6	
Pontefract	1458	30	0	0				19	9	6	
Cleckheaton	219	3	15	0	78	0	0	2	17	6	
Yeadon	441	5	11	0				3	8	10	
Woodhouse-Grove	561	6	10	0				6	1	0	
Totals	15801	352	2	7	90	0	0	155	5	4	
XXII. Sheffield District.											
Sheffield, West	1593	45	0	0				27	13	4	
Sheffield, East	1147	30	12	0				18	2	0	
Chesterfield	380	6	10	0				3	10	0	
Bakewell	173	2	2	6	30	0	0	2	13	8	
Bradwell	600	5	0	0				4	5	0	
Rotherham	617	19	5	0				9	13	3	
Wath	600	10	0	0				6	15	8	
Doncaster	1780	28	0	0				16	0	0	
Barnsley	636	10	0	0				9	19	8	
Retford	1042	13	2	6	24	0	0	7	10	0	
Worksop	600	7	7	0				4	8	8	
Totals	9168	176	19	0	54	0	0	110	11	3	

CIRCUITS.		Yearly			Grants.			July			
XXIII. Nottingham and Derby District.		Nos.	Collection.						Collection.		
			£.	s.	d.				£.	s.	d.
Nottingham, South	1072	26	3	2				13	0	0	
Nottingham, North	1040	21	0	0	24	0	0	13	17	6	
Ilkestone	270	1	14	6	67	14	6	2	13	0	
Mansfield	737	10	0	0				7	10	8	
Newark	1220	29	5	0				13	10	0	
Bingham	564	7	12	0	24	0	0	4	16	0	
Leicester	637	10	12	0				9	9	0	
Melton-Mowbray	855	11	5	6				7	10	0	
Oakham.....	250	4	15	0	33	5	0	1	10	0	
Stamford	313	6	10	0	20	0	0	5	5	0	
Grantham	448	6	10	0	10	0	0	6	5	0	
Peterborough	528	6	6	7				5	4	0	
Loughborough	676	5	14	0				7	0	0	
Castle-Donington.....	611	6	2	0				5	14	0	
Derby	1020	28	0	0				22	0	0	
Ashbourne	110	3	1	0	20	0	0	3	0	0	
Belper	360	7	6	0	33	10	0	4	10	3	
Ripley	213	5	0	0	25	0	0	3	3	0	
Ashby-de-la-Zouch	587	10	0	0				9	0	0	
Burton-on-Trent	332	5	5	6				6	8	0	
Cromford	550	6	0	0	23	10	0	3	5	3	
Additional Subscriptions ..		8	16	10							
Totals	12393	226	19	1	280	19	6	154	10	8	
XXIV. Lincoln District.											
Lincoln	1686	28	10	0				13	7	3	
Sleaford	1238	17	0	0				11	10	0	
Market-Raisen	1027	8	0	0				3	4	0	
Louth	2751	26	10	0				14	0	0	
Horncastle	1537	18	0	0				9	5	0	
Alford	1112	16	10	0				8	3	6	
Spilsby	810	11	0	0				5	5	0	
Coningsby.....	451	4	10	0				2	9	0	
Boston	1195	16	0	0				4	10	0	
Wainfleet	628	7	10	0	35	0	0	3	15	7	
Spalding	773	2	14	0				2	4	2	
Bourne	275	4	0	0	68	0	0	3	0	0	
Totals	13483	160	4	0	103	0	0	80	13	6	
XXV. Hull District.											
Hull, West	1776	48	5	9				15	14	0	
Hull, East.....	1624	30	0	0				10	10	6	
Beverley	725	14	1	2				9	2	0	
Driffield.....	856	16	0	0				9	10	0	
Howden	1061	22	13	0				10	10	0	
Patrington.....	471	8	12	6	67	0	0	3	1	0	
Hornsea.....	488	8	14	0	51	0	0	4	2	0	
Grimsby	1861	37	0	0				22	0	0	
Gainsborough	1134	21	0	1				10	0	1	
Epworth	700	6	6	0				3	0	0	
Snaith	1162	18	15	6				13	0	0	
Brigg.....	862	7	10	0				6	1	10	
Barton	1144	19	0	0				11	10	0	
Bridlington	1244	20	0	0				9	10	0	
Totals	15108	277	18	0	118	0	0	137	11	5	

CIRCUITS.	Nos.	Yearly Collection.			Grants.			July Collection.		
		£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
XXVI. York District.										
York	2000	52	10	0				18	14	0
Tadcaster	884	16	13	6				8	10	7
Pocklington	883	14	10	0				7	10	0
Malton	1045	13	0	0				6	12	0
Easingwold	1352	19	10	0				8	0	0
Scarborough	1619	31	10	0				16	1	0
Pickering	1121	13	9	6				6	5	0
Thirsk	942	14	18	4				7	7	6
Ripon	1016	12	10	0				8	5	0
Selby	1230	27	12	1	11	0	0	11	2	8
Totals	12092	216	3	5	11	0	0	98	7	9
XXVII. Whitby and Dar- lington District.										
Whitby	1173	25	0	0	45	0	0	10	5	0
Stokesley	750	14	0	0	40	0	0	9	12	6
Darlington	684	19	0	0				11	0	0
Stockton	951	26	10	0				11	11	0
Barnard-Castle	558	10	0	0	80	0	0	6	5	0
Bishop-Auckland	520	10	10	0	40	0	0	6	14	0
Middleham	652	8	10	0				4	0	0
Richmond	360	6	0	0	30	0	0	4	4	0
Reeth	744	9	10	0	45	0	0	2	8	6
Bedale	927	6	10	0				4	2	6
Totals	7319	138	6	6	280	0	0	70	2	6
XXVIII. Newcastle District.										
Newcastle	829	27	0	0	35	0	0	15	7	0
Gateshead	968	14	13	1				6	0	7
North-Shields	360	10	3	0				5	11	2
Blyth	349	2	1	6				0	19	8
South-Shields	431	5	10	0				3	7	6
Sunderland	940	20	0	0				12	3	1
Houghton-le-Spring	780	5	10	8				5	10	0
Durham	1006	12	0	0	35	0	0	9	4	3
Wolsingham	632	8	0	0				4	14	3
Hexham	562	6	0	0				6	0	0
Shotley-Bridge	670	7	0	0	35	0	0	4	0	8
Alston	442	3	15	6				2	9	6
Allendale-Town	449	3	15	3				1	10	7
Alnwick	135	4	0	0	16	0	0	1	10	2
Berwick	60	1	18	0	40	0	0	0	8	0
Morpeth	74	1	10	0	52	0	0	0	10	0
Totals	8687	132	17	0	213	0	0	79	6	5
XXIX. Carlisle District.										
Carlisle	291	8	17	10	30	10	0	4	6	10
Brampton	190	3	5	0	33	10	0	1	12	0
Whitehaven	322	4	5	0	31	0	0	1	10	0
Workington	469	4	0	0				2	6	3
Appleby	509	4	18	10				3	0	0

CIRCUITS.	Nos.	Yearly Collection.			Grants.			July Collection.		
		£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
Penrith	720	13	5	0				7	15	0
Wigton and Keswick	240	3	9	6	89	10	0	2	0	0
Kendal	671	6	16	6				4	1	6
Ulverstone.....	202	4	12	6	46	10	0	3	7	2
Dumfries	60	1	13	0	49	11	2	0	17	6
Totals	3674	55	3	2	280	11	2	30	16	3
XXX. Isle of Man District.										
Douglas and Castletown ..	1388	15	0	0				6	12	0
Ramsay and Peel	1602	12	0	0				4	2	6
Totals	2990	27	0	0				10	14	6
XXXI. Edinburgh and Aberdeen District.										
Edinburgh.....	505	14	7	6	137	14	0	2	8	3
Dunbar	40	1	5	0	21	12	0	0	17	0
Glasgow.....	709	12	0	4				2	16	0
Greenock	97	1	10	0				0	15	0
Airdrie	843	2	2	9	40	0	0	0	15	6
Stirling	33	0	7	0	18	0	0			
Ayr	130	2	11	0	46	16	0	0	15	0
Aberdeen	294	6	4	9	27	0	0	1	8	8
Dundee	123	3	5	0	36	0	0	1	0	0
Perth	70	1	13	0	50	8	0	0	15	0
Arbroath	95	3	3	0	48	12	0	1	10	0
Banff.....	54	1	7	0	55	6	0	0	10	0
Inverness	45	1	16	0	48	12	0	0	16	0
Additional Subscriptions..		9	10	5						
Totals	2538	61	2	9	530	0	0	14	6	5
XXXII. Shetland Isles District.										
Lerwick.....	568	5	9	0	152	0	0	1	12	0
Walls.....	420	1	5	0	93	0	0	0	12	0
Northmavin, &c.	128	0	12	6	83	0	0	0	10	0
North Isles	149	1	0	0	62	0	0	0	11	0
Totals	1265	8	6	6	390	0	0	3	5	0

GENERAL VIEW OF THE NUMBERS, YEARLY AND JULY
COLLECTIONS, AND ORDINARY DEFICIENCIES, 1851.

DISTRICTS.	Nos.	Yearly Collection.			Grants.			July Collection.		
		£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
London	20553	670	2	2	759	0	0	411	5	8
Bedford & North- ampton	10428	179	13	5	310	13	1	115	19	7
Kent.....	6987	157	18	10	335	0	0	87	14	1
Norwich and Lynn	6668	111	1	9	314	6	8	79	2	10
Oxford	6630	116	16	11	365	0	0	84	16	6
Portsmouth	4703	87	2	10	255	0	0	64	6	1
Guernsey.....	3161	61	10	0	72	0	0	22	14	1
Devonport	7105	125	15	6	214	10	0	59	15	9
Cornwall	20283	258	14	7	201	0	0	87	12	8
Exeter	5694	103	13	10	484	9	0	64	16	3
Bristol	8603	267	0	7	560	0	0	119	6	11
Bath.....	7484	149	15	2	197	0	0	75	12	10
1st South Wales..	3291	66	15	0	139	0	0	40	2	3
2d South Wales..	4596	80	8	9	387	0	0	21	16	6
North Wales	7607	96	17	6	350	5	0	26	18	0
Birmingham and Shrewsbury....	17208	372	5	6	612	0	0	259	15	10
Macclesfield	9610	204	1	6	282	0	0	96	2	7
Liverpool.....	11099	324	8	4	428	16	6	183	11	0
Manchester and Bolton	20571	532	19	4	232	0	0	281	12	9
Halifax & Bradford	15410	263	4	6	201	0	0	129	6	11
Leeds	15801	352	2	7	90	0	0	155	5	4
Sheffield	9168	176	19	0	54	0	0	110	11	3
Nottingham and Derby	12393	226	19	1	280	19	6	154	10	8
Lincoln	13483	160	4	0	103	0	0	80	13	6
Hull.....	15108	277	18	0	118	0	0	137	11	5
York	12092	216	3	5	11	0	0	98	7	9
Whitby and Dar- lington.....	7319	138	6	6	280	0	0	70	2	6
Newcastle-on-Tyne	8687	132	17	0	213	0	0	79	6	5
Carlisle	3674	55	3	2	280	11	2	80	16	3
Isle of Man.....	2990	28	0	0				10	14	6
Edinburgh and Aberdeen.....	2538	61	2	9	530	0	0	14	6	5
Shetland Isles....	1265	8	6	6	390	0	0	3	5	0
Totals	302209	6064	8	0	9000	10	11	3258	0	1

2.—EXTRAORDINARIES.

(1.)—TRAVELLING EXPENSES.

	£.	s.	d.
Brother John Knowles, 1st, from Chichester to Croydon	2	15	0
Benjamin Frankland, jun., from Dunbar to Tunbridge-Wells ...	3	0	0
J. Peehey, from Woodbridge to Lewes	2	0	0
G. Buckley, from Ilkestone to Guildford	3	10	0
Male, from Norwich to Luton	2	10	0
J. Booth, from High-Wycombe to Newport-Pagnell	2	10	0
J. Dawson, from Gosport to Wellingborough	1	10	0
Rathbone, from Croydon to Deal	2	0	0
Gilbert, from Chelmsford to Deal	1	0	0
Cheeswright, from Coventry to Rye	4	4	0
Rigby, from Kendal to Norwich	3	0	0
Sykes, from Market-Raisen to Framlingham	6	0	0
Ball, from Hereford to Diss	1	10	0
Mainwaring, from Wrexham to New-Buckenham	7	0	0
Danks, from Stirling to Bury St. Edmund's	5	0	0
S. Brown, 1st, from Ashburton to Swaffham	7	0	0
Bissell, from Downend to Downham	5	0	0
Dalby, from Ilkestone to Wisbeach	3	10	0
Anderson, from Dursley to Kineton	2	10	0
G. Clement, from Warminster to Brackley	3	0	0
J. Wood, from Daventry to the Isle of Wight	3	0	0
Clegg, from London to Southampton	2	0	0
Worth, from Sheerness to Chichester	3	0	0
Addison, from Grantham to Liskeard	2	0	0
Midgley, from Ely to Camborne	5	0	0
Henley, from Namptwich to Gwennap	7	0	0
Mycock, from Kingsbridge to St. Columb	1	10	0
Culcheth, from Evesham to Bridgewater	3	3	0
Budden, from Holt to Budleigh-Salterton	5	0	0
W. Lees, from Bishop-Stortford to Budleigh-Salterton	1	10	0
Colman, from Diss to Barnstaple	8	0	0
Hoskins, from Jersey to Chipping-Norton	3	0	0
Weatherstone, from Swaffham to Dursley	8	0	0
Catterick, from South-Petherton to Ledbury	3	0	0
J. Newton, from Ipswich to Frome	4	0	0
W. Allen, 3d, from Longton to Warminster	4	7	6
T. Payne, from Dorchester to Devizes	1	10	0
W. Colbron, from Chelmsford to Castle-Carey	2	10	0
Emory, from Ludlow to Merthyr-Tydvil	5	0	0
Roberts, from Llanidloes to Tredegar	2	0	0
Evans, from Cardigan to Cardiff	1	0	0
Herbert, from Kidwelly to Machynlleth	2	5	0
Richards, from Llandilo to Llanidloes	1	15	0
Hughes, from Dolgelly to Corwen	1	10	0
Green, from Lewes to Birmingham	3	0	0
Briggs, from St. Austle to Madeley	3	0	0

TRAVELLING EXPENSES,—*Continued.*

	£.	s.	d.
Brother R. Stott, from Budleigh-Salterton to Ludlow	9	9	0
Hurst, from Ware to Congleton	3	0	0
Chambers, from Llanrwst to Liverpool	2	10	0
Eacott, from Newtown to Garstang	5	0	0
Pedley, from Workington to Newtown	5	10	0
Shaw, from Guildford to Wakefield	3	0	0
Mewton, from Guildford to Truro, and from Truro to Rotherham	6	10	0
Crowe, from Dursley to Mansfield	3	10	0
Gover, from Spalding to Melton-Mowbray	2	10	0
J. Stott, from Axminster to Oakham	2	10	0
Rouch, from Devizes to Peterborough	5	16	0
Hagen, from Reading to Belper	2	10	0
Parkinson, from Ulverstone to Burton-upon-Trent	3	10	0
Dennis, from Swaffham to Cromford	3	10	0
H. Balls, from Airdrie to Ilkestone	4	0	0
J. Hague, from Cromford to Ashby-de-la-Zouch	1	0	0
Whittingham, from Ludlow to Market-Raisen	3	15	0
W. Baker, jun., from Downham to Market-Raisen.....	3	0	0
Armson, from Grantham to Alford	1	15	0
Burrows, from Garstang to Spalding	5	10	0
Bowman, from Bangor to Bourne	4	0	0
Harrop, from Gwennap to Ipswich and Bridlington	8	10	0
Samuel, from Aberdeen to Stockton	8	0	0
Broomfield, from Epworth to Reeth	3	0	0
Bowman, from Berwick to Blyth	2	6	0
Imisson, from Middleham to Wolsingham	2	0	0
Whitehead, from Bedale to Hexham	2	0	0
Railton, from Arbroath to Berwick	1	12	6
Paterson, from Ayr to Morpeth	3	0	0
Currelly, from the Isle of Man to Ulverstone	3	0	0
Greathead, from Ulverstone to Ramsay	1	10	0
G. Turner, 2d, from Southampton to Edinburgh	8	0	0
Hales, from Bridlington to Glasgow	6	0	0
W. Allen, 4th, from Bingham to Airdrie	4	10	0
Dean, from Alston to Stirling	5	0	0
Dilks, from Shetland to Aberdeen	1	10	0
Mearns, from Stirling to Yarmouth	5	0	0
Whitworth, from Bristol to Pembroke	10	0	0
Hutchings, from Oakhampton to Brigg	5	5	0
Rowland, from Yarmouth to Leeds	7	0	0
George, from Mansfield to Perth	5	0	0
	£329	8	0

(2.)—AFFLICTIONS.

	£.	s.	d.
Brother Ranyell, (Barking, &c.,) for peculiar affliction	5	0	0
Booth, (Third London,) for the continued affliction of his son ...	10	0	0
R. Chapman, (Guildford, &c.,) for domestic affliction	5	0	0
Carter, (Leighton-Buzzard,) for long and expensive affliction ...	5	0	0
Rigby, (Norwich,) for family affliction	6	6	0
T. Rowe, (Yarmouth,) for very severe and long-continued affliction	10	0	0
S. Brown, 1st, (Swaffham,) for personal and family affliction ...	10	0	0
Hateley, (Walsingham,) for personal affliction	10	0	0
Hughes, (Wisbeach,) for personal affliction	4	0	0
Batten, (Ely,) for very painful and protracted affliction	19	0	0

AFFLICTIONS,—*Continued.*

	£	s	d
Brother Lockyer, (Watlington,) for family affliction	3	12	0
J. P. Johnson, (Truro,) for severe personal and family affliction ..	10	0	0
S. Cooke, (Chipping-Norton,) for protracted personal and family affliction	7	0	0
J. Cooke, 3d, (Wantage,) for protracted personal affliction	3	0	0
W. Clegg, (Southampton,) for protracted affliction	10	0	0
Worth, (Chichester,) for the continued affliction of his son	15	0	0
Putron, (Alderney,) for peculiar and family affliction.....	5	0	0
J. Ryan, 2d, (Tavistock,) for long-continued family affliction.....	8	0	0
M'Kenny, (St. Austle,) for long and severe family affliction	15	0	0
W. Hill, 1st, (Bridport,) for protracted and severe personal affliction	10	0	0
Hayman, (Barnstaple,) for severe and protracted personal affliction	8	0	0
Hargreaves, (South-Moulton,) for severe and protracted personal affliction	8	0	0
Button, (Bristol, South,) for severe personal and domestic affliction	30	0	0
Weatherstone, (Dursley,) for peculiar domestic affliction	5	0	0
Meadmore, (Downend,) for severe personal and domestic affliction.	20	0	0
W. Baker, sen., (Monmouth,) for the protracted affliction of his son	15	0	0
Parsons, (Ledbury,) for severe domestic affliction	10	0	0
S. Taylor, (Hereford,) for domestic affliction	5	0	0
Orchard, (Brecon,) for great family affliction	5	0	0
Owen, (Crickhowell,) for severe family affliction	10	0	0
Hughes, (Corwen,) for distressing and protracted family affliction	15	0	0
Gravel, (Carnarvon,) for severe and long-continued affliction.....	15	0	0
M. Thomas, (Amlwch,) for severe personal affliction	10	0	0
Powis, (Stourport,) for severe and protracted family affliction ...	15	0	0
Walsh, (Worcester,) for severe personal and domestic affliction...	25	0	0
Vibert, (Evesham,) for painful family affliction	5	0	0
Denham, (Stratford-upon-Avon,) for distressing and repeated family affliction	20	0	0
Smart, (Madeley,) for severe family affliction	5	0	0
Hurst, (Congleton,) for severe family affliction	5	0	0
Lewis, (Carnarvon,) for family affliction	6	0	0
Miller, (Holmfirth,) for severe and heavy affliction	15	0	0
S. Allen, (Bingley,) for long-continued personal and family afflictions	12	0	0
Posnet, (late,) (Yeadon,) for funeral expenses	12	0	0
Crabtree, (late,) (Pateley-Bridge,) for funeral expenses	12	0	0
M. Rayner, (Bakewell,) on account of personal afflictions	5	0	0
Parkinson, (Burton-upon-Trent,) for heavy and prolonged domestic afflictions	10	0	0
Brocksop, for serious personal and family affliction (1850).....	15	0	0
Kemshall, (Reeth,) for heavy and protracted affliction	15	0	0
Ingham, (Bedale,) for severe family affliction	10	0	0
Broomfield, for personal affliction in Epworth	9	0	0
Bowman, (Blyth,) for family affliction	5	0	0
Edgar, (Alnwick,) for family affliction	5	0	0
Mansie, (Wigton, &c.,) for domestic affliction	3	3	0
Heak, (Lerwick,) for personal and family affliction	5	0	0
Funeral expenses of late Brother T. Flower (Shepton-Mallet)	12	0	0
Funeral expenses of late Brother Sackett (Sleaford)	12	0	0
	£565	1	0

(3.)—FURNITURE.

	£.	s.	d.
Castle-Carey and Bruton.....	40	0	0
Merthyr-Tydvil	10	0	0
Ashton-under-Lyne	10	0	0
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	£60	0	0

(4.)—MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES.

	£.	s.	d.
Late Brother Joseph Fowler's Assistant	33	12	0
Deficiencies in the Ipswich Circuit, under special circumstances ...	20	0	0
Special District-Meeting in London	14	18	4
Brother Entwisle, towards the keep of a horse.....	10	0	0
Supplying the place of Brother Entwisle in Bedford	12	12	0
Supplying the place of Brother Carter in Leighton-Buzzard	4	4	0
Brother Rule, towards deficiencies in Rochester	30	0	0
Brother Rule, carriage of boxes from Birmingham to Rochester...	5	10	6
Brother Wedlock's expenses in travelling his Circuit	5	0	0
Brother Hopewell, under very peculiar circumstances	15	0	0
Brother Joseph Sykes, towards deficiencies in Framlingham.....	3	0	0
Brother Povah, towards deficiencies in North-Walsham.....	13	15	8
Brother Bissell, towards deficiencies in Downham	20	0	0
Brother Hateley, towards deficiencies in Walsingham.....	4	16	0
Brethren S. Brown, 1st, and Mortimer, towards deficiencies in Swaffham	18	10	0
Brother Worker, towards deficiencies in Holt	20	0	0
Brother Dalby, towards deficiencies in Wisbeach.....	20	11	0
Brother S. Brown, 1st, towards the keep of a horse.....	10	0	0
Brother Mainwaring, towards the keep of a horse	10	0	0
Brother Mortimer, towards the keep of a horse	10	0	0
Supplying the place of Brother Thomas Rowe in Yarmouth.....	21	0	0
Brother J. L. Ball, a newly-married Minister, omitted last year.....	40	0	0
Supplying the place of Brother Hateley in Walsingham	10	10	0
Brother T. Hughes, deficiency of allowance as a newly-married Minister	5	0	0
Brother Rigby, deficiency in Norwich	48	6	0
Supplying the place of Brother Batten in Ely.....	15	15	0
Supplying the place of Brother S. Brown, 1st, in Swaffham	15	15	0
Brother P. Clarke, carriage of boxes on becoming a Supernumerary	3	0	0
Supplying the place of Brother J. P. Johnson in Thame	5	5	0
Brother J. P. Johnson, under the very peculiar circumstances of the Thame Circuit	20	0	0
Supplying the place of Brother Samuel Cooke in Chipping-Norton	5	5	0
Brother S. Robinson, deficiency in his last Circuit	7	3	0
Brother P. Clarke, towards deficiencies in Stirling	15	0	0
Brethren Bolas and Turvey, towards deficiencies in Andover	20	0	0
Brother Worth, towards deficiencies in Chichester	10	0	0
Brother Worth, towards the keep of a horse.....	10	0	0
Brother Nicklin, towards deficiencies in Salisbury	10	0	0
Supply in the Isle of Wight	7	0	0
Expenses of a Committee at Andover	1	9	0
Brother William Griffith, carriage of boxes on becoming a Super- numerary	2	6	0
Supplying the place of Brother Button in Bristol, South.....	15	15	0
Supplying the place of Brother Fice, in Tewkesbury	15	15	0

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES,—*Continued.*

	£.	s.	d.
Brother Catterick, for the keep of a horse.....	10	0	0
Expenses of a Special District-Meeting in Kingswood.....	14	2	6
Brother Hessel, a newly-married Minister, allowed in part	17	10	0
Supplying the place of the late Brother Flower in Shepton-Mallet.	7	0	0
Brother Payne, towards deficiencies in Devizes	5	0	0
Brother Coates, carriage of boxes on becoming a Supernumerary...	5	0	0
Supplying the place of Brother W. Rowland in Crickhowell	2	0	0
Brother R. Owen, carriage of boxes on becoming a Supernumerary	1	10	0
Brother D. Evans, 1st, towards keeping a horse	10	0	0
Brother Thomas Edwards, for horse-hire	10	0	0
Supplying the place of Brother Willis in Evesham	5	5	0
Brother Youngman's deficiencies in Framlingham	2	2	0
Supplying the place of Brother Walsh in Worcester	6	6	0
Supplying the place of the late Brother Bell in Macclesfield	15	15	0
Brother M. C. Dixon, carriage of boxes on becoming a Super- numerary	3	5	0
Deficiencies in Newcastle-under-Lyne	10	0	0
Supplying the place of Brother Telfer in Uttoxeter.....	12	5	0
Brother Coultas, carriage of boxes on becoming a Supernumerary...	1	16	6
Brother Mather, a newly-married Minister, error last year	11	0	0
Supplying the place of Brother Prescott, sen., arrears last year.....	3	16	6
Brother Prescott, carriage of boxes on becoming a Supernumerary	3	2	0
Supplying Brother Pridham's place in Glossop, 1850.....	5	12	0
Allowed to Brother Pridham, under peculiar circumstances	40	0	0
Delph Circuit, under peculiar circumstances	10	0	0
Supplying the place of Brother Miller in Holmford	15	15	0
Expenses of two Minor District-Meetings in Bradford	7	19	6
Two Minor District-Meetings in Leeds.....	1	8	0
Supplying the place of the late Brother Atherton in Wakefield.....	40	0	0
Supplying the place of the late Brother Posnet in Yeadon	21	0	0
Expenses of Minor District-Meetings in Sheffield	2	16	8
Brother Ingham, carriage of boxes on becoming a Supernumerary	1	0	0
Brother H. Balls's deficiency in Airdrie	7	10	0
Brother A. Hume, on account of extra travelling, and peculiar circumstances	5	0	0
Towards deficiency in the Grantham Circuit	0	0	0
Towards deficiency in Peterborough	0	0	0
Brother Rodman, a newly-married Minister in Spalding, omitted last year	6	0	0
Supplying the place of Brother Eastwood in Bridlington	0	0	0
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Supplying the place of Brother Kemshall in Reeth.....	1	6	0
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A Special grant to Aberdeen	0	0	0
Allowed Brother Duffill, a newly-married Minister.....	0	0	0
Supplying the place of Brother W. Hill in Bridport	0	0	0
Expenses of a Minor District-Meeting in Bideford	0	0	0
Allowed Brother Harley's deficiencies in Denby-Dale	0	0	0
Allowed Brother Croft's deficiencies in Denby-Dale	0	0	0
Chairmen's visits to solitary Stations.....	0	0	0
The expenses of the President and Brother R. Young in attending the South Wales District-Meeting.....	0	0	0
The expenses of Dr. Newton and Brother Stamp in attending the North Wales District-Meeting	1	0	0

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES,—*Continued.*

	£.	s.	d.
The President's expenses to Ireland	8	0	0
Ditto, expenses to Scotland	9	17	0
Ditto, other travelling expenses, carriage, stationery, official letters, &c.	13	5	0
Ditto, Assistant	80	0	0
The Secretary's expenses in attending the Irish Conference	4	5	0
Ditto, letters and stationery	0	5	0
Dr. Newton's expenses in attending the Irish Conference	4	10	0
Expenses attending the Special Examination, in London, of Candidates for our Ministry	84	16	1
Printing Pastoral Addresses and other Connexional Documents.....	93	10	0
Printing Yearly and July Collection papers, and carriage into the Circuits.....	53	10	0
Interest of money borrowed, and bank commission.....	226	2	6
Treasurers' stationery, letters, and parcels.....	2	10	0
Ditto, part of expenses in attending the Newcastle Conference.....	2	18	6
Dr. Newton's Assistant	80	0	0
Brother Rayner for a horse in Bakewell	10	0	0
Brother Fern's removal to Shetland.....	5	0	0
Brother Stephenson's visit to Shetland and back	8	0	0
Expenses of opposing Papal Aggression, Circulars, Petitions, &c., &c.	112	18	8
Expenses connected with the Census returns	8	17	0
Parliamentary Papers, printing, advertising, and other expenses of the Committee of Privileges	70	15	3
Committee on Shetland affairs	4	10	0
Loss of Collection in Thetford	7	2	6
Allowed for a supply (in part) in Bridgewater, 1850	6	17	0
Amount of Miscellaneous Expenses	2,099	2	4
Ditto, Travelling Expenses.....	329	8	0
Ditto, Afflictions	565	1	0
Ditto, Furniture	60	0	0
Total Amount of Extraordinaries	£3,053	11	4

GENERAL STATEMENT.

Dr. 1851.	The Treasurers of the Contingent Fund.	1851.			Per Contra.			Cr.		
		£.	s.	d.				£.	s.	d.
To Yearly Collection, 1851		6,064	8	0	By Balance due to the Treasurers, August, 1850...			2,056	2	7
To July Collection, 1851		3,258	0	1	By amount paid for Ordinary Deficiencies, 1851 ...			9,000	10	11
To Payment from the Executors of the late Robert Scott, Esq., towards the support of the work of God in Shetland					By amount paid for Extraordinary Deficiencies, 1851			3,053	11	4
To Legacy from the late Miss Harvey (less Property-tax)		85	3	10	By Grant for Ireland			650	0	0
To Cash returned per Brother Bonser		23	6	0						
To Donation from James Fildes, Esq., per Dr. Bunting		5	0	0						
To Donation from John Hartley, Esq., per Dr. Beecham		20	0	0						
To Donation from Thomas Bagnall, Esq.....		25	0	0						
To Additional July Collection from Boston.....		4	1	6						
To amount received from the Missionary Committee, in compensation for returned Missionaries, taken into the work at home		630	0	0						
To Balance due to the Treasurers, August, 1851...		4,640	5	5						
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		£14,760	4	10				£14,760	4	10
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Examined and found correct, with a Balance of Four Thousand Six Hundred and Forty Pounds, Five Shillings, and Five Pence, due to the Treasurers.

August 15th, 1851.

RALPH WILSON,
GEORGE HUNTER.

IV.

ABSTRACT OF THE ACCOUNTS OF THE CHILDREN'S
FUND FOR THE YEAR 1850-1851.

Dr.	£.	s.	d.	Cr.	£.	s.	d.
To Balance as per the last published Statement ...	281	12	10	By Amount paid to the Treasurers of Kingswood and Woodhouse-Grove Schools, towards the support of two hundred and thirty-four boys at school, at the rate of £6. 6s. each ...	1,474	4	0
Less by error discovered in auditing.....	0	5	6	By Amount paid on account of Education to twenty-three sons of Supernumerary and deceased Ministers.....	276	0	0
	281	7	4	By Amount paid on account of Education to sixty-six daughters of Ministers	554	8	0
To Balance of Receipts over payments in the following Districts:—				By Balance of Payments over Receipts in the following Districts:—			
Bedford and Northampton	97	5	2	London	69	6	0
Devonport	15	15	0	Kent	1	11	6
Cornwall.....	426	16	6	Norwich and Lynn ...	286	10	9
Bristol.....	15	5	0	Oxford	47	5	0
Bath	119	14	0	Portsmouth	53	11	0
North Wales	59	17	0	Guernsey	4	0	3
Birmingham and Shrewsbury	15	16	6	Exeter.....	106	1	6
Macclesfield	144	18	0	First South Wales.....	69	6	0
Liverpool	78	15	0	Second South Wales...	67	14	6
Manchester and Bolton	185	13	6	Carlisle	34	13	0
Halifax and Bradford. .	216	18	0	Edinburgh	170	2	0
Leeds	264	12	0	Shetland.....	55	2	6
Sheffield	162	11	0	By a special Grant under peculiar circumstances	18	0	0
Nottingham and Derby	159	11	0	By Miscellaneous Expenses.....	3	15	0
Lincoln	214	4	0				
Hull	38	7	2				
York	105	10	8				
Whitby and Darlington	14	3	6				
Newcastle-upon-Tyne..	81	2	3				
Isle of Man.....	44	3	0				
Balance due to Treasurers	549	5	5				
	£3,291	11	0		£3,291	11	0

Audited and found correct, August 23d, 1851.

SAMUEL HILL SMITH,
JOHN JONES, JUN.

A LIST OF THE PRESIDENTS OF THE METHODIST CONFERENCE, SINCE THE DEATH OF THE REV. JOHN WESLEY.

1791, <i>Manchester,</i>	REV. WILLIAM THOMPSON.
1792, <i>London,</i>	REV. ALEXANDER MATHER.
1793, <i>Leeds,</i>	REV. JOHN PAWSON.
1794, <i>Bristol,</i>	REV. THOMAS HANBY.
1795, <i>Manchester,</i>	REV. JOSEPH BRADFORD.
1796, <i>London,</i>	REV. THOMAS TAYLOR.
1797, <i>Leeds,</i>	REV. THOMAS COKE, LL.D.
1798, <i>Bristol,</i>	REV. JOSEPH BENSON.
1799, <i>Manchester,</i>	REV. SAMUEL BRADBURN.
1800, <i>London,</i>	REV. JAMES WOOD.
1801, <i>Leeds,</i>	REV. JOHN PAWSON, <i>Second Election.</i>
1802, <i>Bristol,</i>	REV. JOSEPH TAYLOR, 1st.
1803, <i>Manchester,</i>	REV. JOSEPH BRADFORD, <i>Second Election.</i>
1804, <i>London,</i>	REV. HENRY MOORE.
1805, <i>Sheffield,</i>	REV. THOMAS COKE, LL.D., <i>Second Election.</i>
1806, <i>Leeds,</i>	REV. ADAM CLARKE, LL.D.
1807, <i>Liverpool,</i>	REV. JOHN BARBER.
1808, <i>Bristol,</i>	REV. JAMES WOOD, <i>Second Election.</i>
1809, <i>Manchester,</i>	REV. THOMAS TAYLOR, <i>Second Election.</i>
1810, <i>London,</i>	REV. JOSEPH BENSON, <i>Second Election.</i>
1811, <i>Sheffield,</i>	REV. CHARLES ATMORE.
1812, <i>Leeds,</i>	REV. JOSEPH ENTWISLE.
1813, <i>Liverpool,</i>	REV. WALTER GRIFFITH.
1814, <i>Bristol,</i>	REV. ADAM CLARKE, LL.D., <i>Second Election.</i>
1815, <i>Manchester,</i>	REV. JOHN BARBER, <i>Second Election.</i>
1816, <i>London,</i>	REV. RICHARD REECE.
1817, <i>Sheffield,</i>	REV. JOHN GAULTER.
1818, <i>Leeds,</i>	REV. JONATHAN EDMONDSON.
1819, <i>Bristol,</i>	REV. JONATHAN CROWTHER.
1820, <i>Liverpool,</i>	REV. JABEZ BUNTING, A.M.
1821, <i>Manchester,</i>	REV. GEORGE MARSDEN.
1822, <i>London,</i>	REV. ADAM CLARKE, LL.D., <i>Third Election.</i>
1823, <i>Sheffield,</i>	REV. HENRY MOORE, <i>Second Election.</i>
1824, <i>Leeds,</i>	REV. ROBERT NEWTON.
1825, <i>Bristol,</i>	REV. JOSEPH ENTWISLE, <i>Second Election.</i>
1826, <i>Liverpool,</i>	REV. RICHARD WATSON.
1827, <i>Manchester,</i>	REV. JOHN STEPHENS.
1828, <i>London,</i>	REV. JABEZ BUNTING, A.M., <i>Second Election.</i>
1829, <i>Sheffield,</i>	REV. JAMES TOWNLEY, D.D.
1830, <i>Leeds,</i>	REV. GEORGE MORLEY.
1831, <i>Bristol,</i>	REV. GEORGE MARSDEN, <i>Second Election.</i>
1832, <i>Liverpool,</i>	REV. ROBERT NEWTON, <i>Second Election.</i>
1833, <i>Manchester,</i>	REV. RICHARD TREFFRY, SEN.
1834, <i>London,</i>	REV. JOSEPH TAYLOR, 2d.
1835, <i>Sheffield,</i>	REV. RICHARD REECE, <i>Second Election.</i>
1836, <i>Birmingham,</i>	REV. JABEZ BUNTING, D.D., <i>Third Election.</i>
1837, <i>Leeds,</i>	REV. EDMUND GRINDROD.
1838, <i>Bristol,</i>	REV. THOMAS JACKSON.
1839, <i>Liverpool,</i>	REV. THEOPHILUS LESSEY.
1840, <i>Newcastle-upon-Tyne,</i>	REV. ROBERT NEWTON, <i>Third Election.</i>
1841, <i>Manchester,</i>	REV. JAMES DIXON.
1842, <i>London,</i>	REV. JOHN HANNAH, D.D.
1843, <i>Sheffield,</i>	REV. JOHN SCOTT.
1844, <i>Birmingham,</i>	REV. JABEZ BUNTING, D.D., <i>Fourth Election.</i>
1845, <i>Leeds,</i>	REV. JACOB STANLEY.
1846, <i>Bristol,</i>	REV. WILLIAM ATHERTON.
1847, <i>Liverpool,</i>	REV. SAMUEL JACKSON.
1848, <i>Hull,</i>	REV. ROBERT NEWTON, D.D., <i>Fourth Election.</i>
1849, <i>Manchester,</i>	REV. THOMAS JACKSON, <i>Second Election.</i>
1850, <i>London,</i>	REV. JOHN BEECHAM, D.D.
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